

## Praying for our Cities

We are not praying for revival. There have been groups visiting the towns and cities in North Dakota and other states, where they are praying for revival. It is time for the sons and daughters of God to be revealed in the earth and for them to accomplish what God placed them on earth to do. We pray for the Kingdom of God to be established in each place.

***After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.” Hosea 6:2,3 (ESV)***

We are in the third day. We need to move past revival. Revival means to restore to life or consciousness. Why do we continually seem to need to be restored to life? We need to move beyond ourselves. The world needs us. The only way that is going to happen is when we discover we must continually live in His presence and see Him as He really is! In HIM we live, and move and have our being! That is the place of rest!

Based on many prophetic words over North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota we believe there a fire of God that is being set in these states that will spread across the entire nation and the world. It is not the fire of revival, but the refiner's fire, a Kingdom-building fire..

***“Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. “Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts. Malachi 3:1-5 (ESV)***

When God explained to Jeremiah what a prophet is and does (Jeremiah 1), He told him there were things that needed to be torn down and destroyed before something new could be built. That is the refiner's fire. The fire destroys all that is wood, hay, and stubble and then purifies the gold and silver in our lives. The fire must destroy all of our old religious ideas before we can see what it is that Jesus is truly building and doing in this hour.

God is calling us into a true understanding of righteousness and justice. When we think about judgment, we tend to think of fire and brimstone, punishment. We must change our perspective. The Bible has a lot to say about righteousness and justice and we are called to execute it in the earth.

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Righteousness is simply God's standard for what is right. Judgment is perceiving, understanding, discerning what it is that is needed to change a situation that is not right in God's sight so that it becomes right in God's sight. Justice, then, is the fulfillment of whatever is needed to make a situation right in God's sight.

Advancing the Kingdom of God in the earth is merely understanding every moment of every day as we walk the earth, what is the will of God, what is His standard of rightness for every situation we encounter in our own lives as well as the lives of others and then bringing justice to the situation as the Lord directs.

Bringing rightness is not always about sin. It is about making things right. Businesses and government and other areas need strategic answers to problems. They need godly solutions. They need people who can judge correctly and then apply what the Lord has given to them as solutions.

That is the apostolic anointing in a nutshell. Our cities need this.

Another area where we need to change our thinking is concerning the harvest. God designed seedtime and harvest from the beginning and we see it in our world every day to remind us of this truth. Yet, we do not fully understand the significance of it.

Many are preaching an end time harvest. It used to be a million souls and now they are proclaiming a billion souls. They are talking salvation. If you study the passage from Matthew 13, you see Jesus is teaching about the Kingdom of God. It is based on seedtime and harvest. Our words, when they are God's words, are seeds. God sends them to earth, looking for a man or woman to pick up those seeds and plant them, water and nourish them until they produce the harvest God put initially put inside that seed to produce. Those words, or seeds, will not return to Him void, but will accomplish what He sent them to do.

We do not go to the cities praying for revival or harvest of souls. We go declaring words from the Father for this area to spring up and produce a harvest.

### Decrees and Declarations

***A decree is a formal, authoritative command or order, often a final judgment by a court or a rule issued by a ruler, while a declaration is a statement of fact, intention, or an announcement, like when declaring items at customs. Decrees impose a mandate and have the force of law, whereas declarations simply state what is or announce something. (according to AI)***

***NOTE: These are guidelines and based on what I have heard the Father say as I have traveled to the cities and towns of North Dakota. We should not pray by rote, but be led by the Spirit of the Living God when we pray and decree. He is the one who knows all and reveals the Father's heart to us. I give you these so you know what I believe God has in store for the state of North Dakota. Review them and pray as you are led by Holy Spirit.***

Pray to the God of the Harvest for laborers who understand Kingdom principles to arise in this place and laborers in God's heart to come from other places.

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Because we know God's heart and know He has heard our prayer, we can confidently decree laborers with apostolic and prophetic anointing are coming forth to see His vision and plans for this place, to tear down and to build.

Decree the laborers are equipped to prepare a people whose heart is to follow God in every aspect of life to bring unity and peace to their community.

Decree a Kingdom city in all the cultural areas. The laborers God sends understand Kingdom principles and are preparing believers to live by Kingdom principles. They bring blessing, protection, and God's purposes for the place.

Decree the fire of Father God's heart ignites in this place so people have a hunger to know God, not just to know about Him. Decree a people hungry for God, not what He can give to them or do for them.

Decree a knowing by the spirit that effects lasting change and a hunger for the things of the Kingdom.

Declare God has a love for this place and desires to see the city blessed, prosperous, protected and fulfilling its purpose. I decree there are laborers coming and rising up to be a blessing, protection and prepared to execute God's purpose and plans for the existence of this place.

Decree the plans of the enemy will not succeed in this place, because the laborers God is bringing to this place know how to thwart the plans of the enemy.

Decree that the Light of the Living God will be seen through His people in this place and the world will take note of what is happening in this place.

Decree that this town, county and city will come to the place of not only seeing their purpose but fulfilling their purpose in the Father heart of God.

Decree those in the religious realm will have their glasses of deception removed so they see truth and hunger for it. Even temporary laborers are being thrust forth to help remove the blinders. I declare that those who labor will not labor in vain. These believers will choose not to mix the old religious system with the new understanding of Kingdom.

Decree that any words now and down through the years that were spoken by God for this place begin to grow and prosper and produce a harvest and there are those who are will water and nourish them by believing and speaking them until they do what God intended them to do. Any words spoken against the will of the Father will be voided and will not produce a harvest.

Declare that truth, righteousness and justice are crying from the streets to be heard and understood and as a result, peace and joy will rule in the cities.

Decree that there will be a true understanding of seedtime and harvest and what God meant by saying as long as the earth exists, there will be seedtime and harvest.

Decree that houses of bread and oil refineries in the Spirit will spring up in this county and as people read the prophetic words over North Dakota and they see the

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granaries and oil rigs, they will be reminded of what God desires in North Dakota. They will believe and decree.

Decree unity in the city and between cities and counties so that North Dakota is a state full of faith and becomes a new wineskin where new wine is poured forth on the rest of the country, the continent and the nations.

Decree that great joy will come to this city. The joy of the Lord is our strength, our power, our stronghold, our place of safety, our defense.

Decree that the nations will be touched from this place.