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The Times of Refreshing is designed to keep our partners up to date on what is happening in our ministry, Times of Refreshing.

We are confident you will find this a valuable source of information providing regular contact from the show host, Craig Buroker, a sneak preview about what is next on the show, and our latest product available.

We feel that God is using our ministry to impact this nation both as an oasis of God's presence to its viewers and as a trumpet call to Canada's church.

It is important for our partners to stay informed, and that is why we've started The Times. If you would like to write to us, see our contact information at the end of the newsletter. We love to hear from our partners!

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The Times of Refreshing

From Pastor Craig's Desk...

Dear Partners:

May this letter find you blessed and increasing in the goodness of God!

There has been an increased sense of excitement and enlargement as we come into this fall which I have never felt before. We are on a timetable that is continually accelerating in its activities and in its expression of the things of God.

In almost anywhere in the world today there is something being revealed about the Father and His wonderful son, Jesus. I have been hearing reports of local pastors with successful home groups in some of the most hostile Muslim countries in the world. There are believers meeting in secret in so many places. The church is on the move!

God is doing such wonderful and miraculous things in these places that the believers are experiencing God's supernatural involvement in every aspect of their lives. It makes me wonder how far we, as a western church, have moved away from things the apostles considered normal.

Not long ago I talked to a friend of mine who has an extensive ministry in India and he told me something quite interesting. He received an excerpt of a speech given by one of the leaders of the radical Hindu movement in India which made a statement like this, "If we do not do something to increase the awareness and activation of more people into Hinduism, the growth of Christianity in this country will soon relegate us to the rubbish bin." The official statistics in India list the country's Christian population at somewhere between 1 and 3 percent. The actual number is approximately 10 percent. That represents about 110 million people! The authorities are afraid to publish this number because they fear the reaction of other radical religious groups in the country.

The gospel is increasing exponentially around the world. Some like it and some don't it but it will still continue to increase.

Recently I attended a meeting where there were almost thirty delegates from China. They gave a report of what is now happening in that country.

Persecution is heavy and many Christians have been put in jail or even tortured for their faith. Though the Chinese government portrays a posture of acceptance to western trade and ideals, behind the scenes the same spirit of fear exercises harsh control over the rights and freedoms the people have. The delegates said that in the midst of this, God is moving in a way that can only be described as "almost unbelievable".

I heard Lorne Cunningham (founder of YWAM) say that right now the gospel is "being written in China". The growth rate of the church is so high that it is reported as many as 200 million have been born again and are serving God.

One pastor said to us that the Chinese church believes it has been given a divine mandate from God: to finish taking the gospel around the world. The gospel started going out from Israel and traveled west to Europe. From Europe it went to North America and Africa and from there it was taken westward into Asia. They feel God has called the Chinese to take the gospel, westward still, along the ancient trade route called the "Silk Road" back to the middle east. "We are called to win the muslims to Jesus," he said.

He went on to share that many of the Chinese young people are actively pursuing entry to the nations surrounding China which are predominantly muslim. At this point he began to choke up and found it very difficult to speak. He said "My own daughter told me that God has called her to the middle east to win muslims. She has now moved there, has married, and is living in Jordan".

Imagine how some of us who are parents would feel if our child told us that they were moving to Iran to win muslims to Jesus.

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Pastor Craig Buroker

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Truly we live in a day where the scripture is being fulfilled, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony and they loved not their lives to the death." (Rev. 12:11)

There is a very definite sense in my spirit that we are again moving into a time of transition or a "crossing over" into another spiritual level. This level will involve a higher cost to be a follower of Jesus. The Lord is calling His children to be absolute in their commitment to Him. It will be no different for a missionary or a truck driver, a pastor or an office worker. The stakes are getting higher for every believer!

While it is true that God is wonderfully sovereign and has everything under control, it is also true that He is increasing the speed and effectiveness of His church so that we can finish the job before us. There is an exhilarating sense of spiritual urgency in the air for this time that has been prophesied so long ago.

What God asks us to do He will fully equip us to do. While He is asking for more He is also giving us more. Spiritual things are being made available to us that we wouldn't have dreamed of before - gifts and anointings, mantles and callings, distributed by the Master - in order to release a powerful, spiritual church.

Now is the time for us to believe big! Now is the time for us to risk more! Now is the time for us to ask and believe for things we have in our hearts that will bless His kingdom and the lost people of this world. Take stock of where you are in God and where you dream to go and set your sails for more. Something is opening up in the Spirit and all of us can jump in!

Pastor Craig

Excerpts from...

Moving into the Supernatural by Pastor Craig Buroker

God wants us to raise our expectations. We are in a new spiritual season, and God has more for us than what we are currently experiencing. It is time to expand our perspective to see what God wants for us.

Recently, I felt God challenge me to expect more from Him in the supernatural. I said to Him, "But God, I thought my expectations were high already! I've learned how to receive some big things from You by faith, and prophetically You've shown me big things that You desire for the church. What do you mean by 'Expect more'?"

Then while reading in Joel, I caught a glimpse of what He was telling me. Joel 2:28 says, "And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days."

Joel talks of experiencing the supernatural while we live in the natural realm. In the book of Acts, Peter tells us this prophecy has now been fulfilled. In other words, we all should be experiencing these manifestations of the supernatural on a regular basis.

You might be thinking, "On a regular basis? How is that possible?" But look at Joseph, Jesus' earthly father. Often he was led by dreams, receiving instruction and wisdom on how to keep the little boy, Jesus, safe. And in the Old Testament, Jacob's son, Joseph, had dreams that showed him things to come. God is no respecter of persons. He wants this for you, too!

Most of us have been conditioned to believe that the supernatural only works for a select few. We are so aware of our own shortcomings, we feel disqualified from being able to experience dreams and miracles from God. But He wants them for all of us! And He wants us to see them operate in our lives even more than we do.

Watch how Jesus introduces the supernatural into Peter's life. In Luke 4:31. Jesus is preaching in the synagogue in Capernaum, and casts a demon out of a man. Peter must have seen this for it says in verse 38 that Jesus, "arose from the synagogue and entered Simon's [Peter's] house." Then in verse 39 Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law. So first

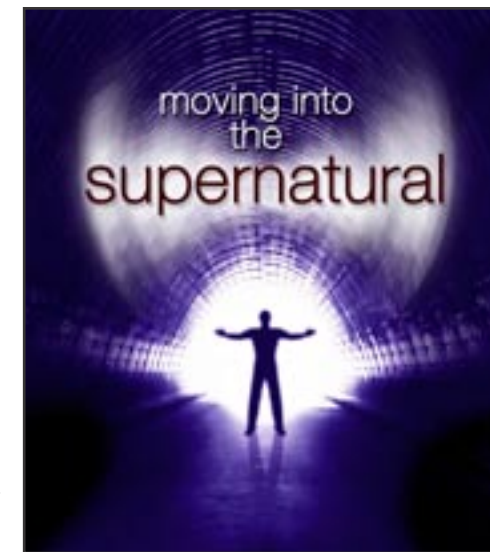
Jesus casts a demon out in Peter's church, and then heals someone in his own house. But He doesn't stop there.

In verses 40 and 41, Jesus prays for whole multitude - all night long, healing them, rebuking devils - right from Peter's living room! Still, Peter continues on with his life, as per normal, and goes out fishing again.

Jesus knew that at a certain point, Peter would "get it", and he would begin to believe in the supernatural working for him personally. The next day, in Luke 5:1, Jesus preaches from Peter's boat. Then, at Jesus' word, Peter hauls in a supernatural catch of fish (verse 6), and finally Peter "gets it"! The supernatural realm affected his fishing, his personal identity, and Peter responded to Jesus. Jesus wanted this for him so much that He invaded his life with the supernatural so that Peter would believe and follow Him.

All through His ministry, Peter sees Jesus employ the supernatural as a matter of course: turning water into wine, getting tax money out of a fish, using mud to heal a man's sight, and the list goes on. After Jesus ascends into heaven, Peter sees the supernatural work in his own ministry because he believes God wants the supernatural to work for him, too. Just like He wants it for you and me.

Practically speaking, then, how do we raise our expectations? First, we believe God wants it for us. God wants us to see Him work supernaturally in us, in our families, our businesses, our ministries. He wants to see



Joel 2:28 work for us. God's picture of the church is more "spiritual" than ours. His realm IS the supernatural realm. He operates in it all the time, and He wants us to have the same ability, the same perspective. He is calling us to think like He thinks. He wants us to become more aware of the spiritual realm than we are of the natural realm.

Second, we ask God for it. We are supposed to "walk by faith". What can your faith "see" or reach towards? What supernatural things do you only dream about happening through you? Ask Him for the desires of your heart.

Third, we expect supernatural things to work for us. Remember, spiritual things are learned, so ask the Holy Spirit to teach you to operate in the supernatural and to get better at it continually.

Let's raise our expectations. Let's begin to pray for visions and dreams, and for God to pour out His Spirit on us. Let's move into the supernatural!

edited by Mara Fraser

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We hear of supernatural happenings, but do you believe God wants to do the same things for you and through you? In this series Pastor Craig challenges us to raise our expectations concerning how we experience God. When God moves towards us, He arrives outside the lines of our present understanding of Him. "Cross the line" by faith and God's goodness will be assured as we move into the supernatural.

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September 3

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September 10

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October 8

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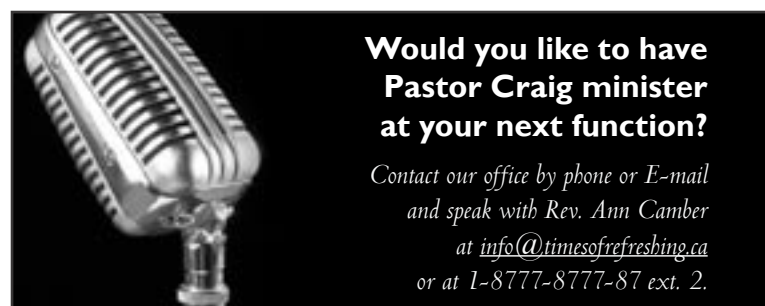
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