

Again, very brief introduction we are going to take the next twelve evenings here to end this fifty days of extravagant devotion and an extra time of fasting and prayer for the IHOP family and IHOP team. We feel like it's important for our leadership team to give a sense of what the Lord has spoken over the last, actually twenty five years about things pertaining to this very hour and many things are yet future, as well, but things we believe we're in a transition in this hour to begin to enter into some of these realities that are going to be shared over the next twelve nights. Why are we sharing those? 1 Timothy 1: 18, Paul the apostle says that Timothy was to fight the fight of faith using the prophetic utterances that were given him through the ministry of the Holy Spirit to the prophets. He told Timothy. He said Timothy, "Those prophetic utterances, those prophetic experiences were meant by God to strengthen your spirit of prayer, your spirit of resolve, your obedience." And so if properly understood prophetic ministry fuels up the house of prayer and fuels up the prayer life of the church. One of the reasons the prayer life of the body of Christ is low is because the prophetic ministry is low. People have asked me for years, how do you get prayer motivated? I said there was a number of answers but one of them is to the release of the prophetic ministry, the subjective prophetic ministry, what the prophets are saying today and the teaching of end time prophecy from the Word of God. For the most part, those two things are significantly neglected and they impact the prayer movement in a very, very direct way. And so those that want to see prayer really going to another level they have to take the prophetic ministry serious and it starts by believing in it. My journey into the prophetic ministry, I didn't believe in it, I was ambushed like some of you. The ministry of the Holy Spirit and prophetic ways began to move around my life before I had any grid to even interpret it. It was a bit dizzying in the early days. I didn't know what was happening. I didn't understand what these things meant. Now, having been in Kansas City for now twenty years and having pastored for nearly eighteen of those twenty years at Metro Christian Fellowship. I hear the question all the time. Are these prophetic words for the church, Metro Christian Fellowship, or the prophetic words for IHOP? I feel like that's not exactly the right question because the prophetic words as you are going to see tonight are really for the city in one way much more than a ministry. It is not about belonging to one congregation, one little prayer ministry, it's belonging to a city number one. Number two, this is a new thing, because I never pressed this point, I believed it for years, I have never pressed it. There are very specific prophetic words related to the Midwest of which Kansas City is in the heart of the heart lands. Even in the early days, Bob Jones pressed that point very strong that these were words for the whole of the Midwest. And then as you are going to understand, some of these words have a particular application for Kansas City in St. Louis together. And that is a new piece of information for some people and then some of the words have to do with what God is doing across our whole nation and the earth. So the real invitation of the Holy Spirit isn't to a little prayer ministry in Kansas City called IHOP or little congregation in Kansas City of a couple thousand people. It's really to the believers in those geographic areas that say yes and amen to the spirit and give their hearts fully to it and war according to these words and press in to the heart of God with spiritual violence as love sick worshipers. And so really the spirit says it's for those that will say yes and move in with all of their heart.

I am going to begin because I have twelve nights and the way the nights are going to go I am going to share a bit during the evenings. I probably have 25 hours worth of testimony to draw from of things the Lord has done that is unusual with the Holy Spirit mark of authenticity. I mean, I have received as some of you have, thousands of prophetic words in twenty years, but there's those few that have that mark not just that you sense they are right; they had a confirmation, a supernatural confirmation. That's the word I am looking for and most of the testimonies I am going to give are prophetic words that were confirmed in ways that could never be contrived or made up. They were confirmed by several different people or situations happening at the same time and the same place. I mean different places and same time. Very, very dynamic confirmations that were not just one guy said it therefore there it is. That's the majority of what I am going to share are of the higher order of those that have been supernaturally confirmed by the audible voice of the Lord and angels and two people having the same dream the same night and those kind of things. But the way these evenings are going to go, I am going to share a while, a bit and we have a whole testimony of things that are in my heart from the last twenty years but then we have another whole set of information from our team. The Lord has been speaking powerful, powerful things in the last number of years in the midst of the prophets. The prophetic people related to the ministry here I have heard it said that whatever happened to what happened in the 80's and we haven't publicized, we haven't made it known possibly in a way we really should have in the last 5 or 6 years but many powerful things have been happening that will be surprising and very encouraging to many of you that are in our midst because they're just as dynamic as some of the things from the earlier days.

Now the most dramatic things in my life personally happened mostly in 1983 and 1984. So here it is October 2002, nineteen years ago, nearly twenty years ago. There was about an eighteen month period, maybe, five or six experiences, five or six things happened that are second to nothing I have ever experienced. I mean the Bible surpasses it. What happened in 83 and 84 for about 18 months, about five or six periods of time in 18 months is still remains near 20 years later to be the strongest things that God spoke in the most startling and stunning way. I believe that He spoke them for such a time as this. Before I get into that tonight, I am actually going to begin some of those things tomorrow night. Tonight, I am going to create a context because I as the human leader of the FOTB Missions base here at IHOP. I have so much information in my mind that some of the people joining us could not begin to understand what I think I understand. I don't think they have any context for even placing some of these experiences. So I am going to share a few of the things that created my grid, my paradigm for what's happening in these days in the generation the Lord returns is impacted by a few of the things I am going to share tonight.

First, very powerful to me, but it wouldn't really make the list because it is not of the order of the other things but it was so powerful to me and it has formed me so dynamically for 25 years that I reasoned, I think, and lead, and I even administrate the prophetic out of this experience. Very powerful to me, but it doesn't have the order of confirmation of the other things; but I am going to share it anyway. I was 21 years old. I was pasturing a church. My first church plant was when I was 20 in June of 1976. This is

on a winter night in 1976. I am 21 years old. December 19, 1976, I go over to a family's house, at this point of time, though I am pasturing a charismatic nondenominational fellowship out in the rural area. I do not like the Charismatics. I am against tongues and I am against a bunch of things at that time but I am in the midst of these people and it's a long story of how I got there because I didn't fully understand what I was getting into. But it's a church of about 50 people. It's out in the country. It's about six months old. It's Sunday night, December 19, 1976, I go over to this couple's house for dinner and they have this young lady. She's been prophesying with a record of accuracy for some many years even by then and has since maintained that. She's sitting at the table. There was four or five of us. She doesn't say a word the whole evening. I don't really know her. She doesn't really know me and I am talking to this couple and suddenly the weather becomes very bad and none of us can leave. None of us can leave. So we all are going to spend the night in this house and we are all tired because it was a Sunday and we all got up early. About 9, 10 we all retired. We all are going to go to bed so they get me a little sleeping bag and I am in the living room, okay, and they are all in the rooms. About 11 o'clock, about an hour or hour and half later I fell asleep. They came and woke me up. I said "Yeah, yeah what's happening? Is everything okay?" "Yeah" they said. They said our friend here, the spirit of God is moving on her and she wants to minister to you. It's the first experience I have ever had in my life. I said, "Well, what do you mean?" She said, she wants to; she has something she wants to pray over you. They were being nice. They didn't just say prophecy, they said pray over you but now I do that sometimes myself. We just want to pray over you and I know where this thing is going. Now in the 25 years, since that evening, this was my very first Holy Spirit experience with any revelatory ministry in it, has formed my life for 25 years. It was one of the most, not one of the most dramatic in terms of encountering an angel and I have had a couple of those I am going to share with divine information about the future. I am not going to tell, it wasn't of that order but it impacted me so powerfully emotionally and intellectually in my understanding. And 3 or 4 times, in 25 years, I have had this unusual manifestation and when it happens I always pay attention. It happened the very first time and not for many years after that and then it happened again in '97' and it happened again when Kingsley Fletcher prophesied to me in January 99 about starting an IHOP. It's only happened a few times in 25 years but it was the first night it happened that while the young woman was prophesying the wind of the Holy Spirit began to move around me. In a way that was even the dullest 21 year old anti-charismatic pastor. I was taken back because there was this energy swirling around me and I was going I don't know what is happening right now. And the word was like going straight into me like an arrow. They had just shaken me from my little sleeping bag on the floor and said wake up. We're going to pray for you. About an hour and half after I had been asleep and all of a sudden three or four of them had been praying and the swirl of the wind is swirling around me in a way where I don't mean where like the flags on the back wall here would start blowing. I had never experienced anything of an over manifestation of energy and winds swirling around me. Only three times or four times in 25 years had this happened. Like I said in January 19 1999, when the Lord spoke to me the day that he made it clear to start IHOP, that happened when Kingsley Fletcher was prophesying to me. I didn't even know him but I was paying attention. Oh, here it is again, it is happening again. This lady was beginning to prophesy and my eyes were closed and my body was just under the

influence of the energy of Holy Spirit. And I was just, like, what is happening to me? I felt so wonderful! I felt like so like I'd love to feel like that all the time but it doesn't happen that way. Here is what she told me. She told me five things. And these five things impact the ministry of IHOP and the Friends of Bridge Groom right now. She said the Lord wants you to know that He is going to lead you in many of the same ways that He led King David. He said your life and your ministry is going to mirror in many ways, not one hundred percent the life of King David. Now King David, I was just studying him a little bit. My favorite was Paul and if I had a choice I would have picked Paul and I remembered hearing this. And in my mind not fully appreciating that but the wind and the energy of the Spirit that was attending this word made me vulnerable and made me susceptible to it. I just said yes Lord, yes. I have watched in the last 25 years since that evening and what is happening here. Many things related to the life of David. His revelation of the personality of God. The fact of singers night and day and a 24 hour prayer ministry with prophetic singers. I don't even know if David is my favorite guy in scripture to this day but I find more things related to that and this could be said of many, many people. It is not a unique thing but this was a very important grid because this was a model of how God was going to lead all the days of my life and so many things happening in our midst will have a parallel to David's revelation, to the prophetic singers, prophetic musicians, on and on. The next thing she said. She says about King David, God is going to give you a revelation of divine gentleness like King David had. I remember thinking divine gentleness? The verse of Psalm 18 verse 35, David said your gentleness has made me great. And that verse has become very powerful to me in the last 25 years. Psalm 18 verse 35. But He said this; God is going to treat you with unusual gentleness in the way that He leads you. He is going to be gentle in His leadings towards you. This was so strange. But she told me later, she goes in all that you do, as you lead and God raises up leaders around you He wants you to relate to people in the gentleness that God communicated to King David. Even when they sin against you, your enemies, you are to receive gentleness when you stumble and the Lord will lead you in gentleness. But He is going to require that you relate to the people in gentleness in their errors and even your enemies. I remember that was so odd I just wrote it down and I go I don't have a clue that means. In 25 years that is such a powerful word about IHOP and what we are about. She the next thing, she said you are going to have from now until you meet the Lord, you are going to have and this was really shocking abundance of dreams and visions and heavenly experiences and encounters with angels and those that God brings around you will operate in this as well.

I have never met anyone who's ever had a vision. I've never had a spiritual dream. She says the rest of your days not only you but those around you that God gathers to you will have a multitude of dreams and visions beyond anything you can fathom right now. Your future is filled with dreams and visions, angelic experiences, open heavens and heavenly encounters. Again, except the wind of the spirit was moving on my uninstructed, little mind, and little church experience, I had no grid but I was made vulnerable by just the energy of the spirit resting on me. When they went to bed I just moaned and groaned and just said God "yes". Then she said, here's the other thing, she said God is going to make the Word of God the primary pillar of all that you do. The Lord insists on it and He will waken in you such a love for the Word. You will insist on it with the very fire that God

insists upon it; the Word of God. And then she went on to say one more thing. She says you will have many, many wars. As in the life of David you will know conflict and you will know war by unbelievers and believers. When one is over there will be a time of rest and time of healing and there will be another one on its way, thus says the Lord. These five things have formed my mind and my thinking in so many ways. Twenty-five years later, a little over twenty-five years, I look back at those five things and I go that was as clearly one of the most accurate blueprints for my future on five lines of divine spiritual principles. And those things are dynamically related to what we are doing and where we are going and how we do it. Okay, that's over. So that's my first one, again if it wasn't so formative to me I wouldn't have shared it because it didn't have the other kind of angelic appearance kind of dimension that these other, most of the rest my other experiences are going to have. That's where it began on that cold winter night on December 19, 1976, and I was in transition and I have never looked back since. Things have begun to multiple and dreams and visions and conflicts and on and on and on.

Okay, now I am going to talk about the two men I have to introduce them tonight. The two men have been my spiritual fathers in different ways and in different times: Bob Jones and Paul Cain. When I look over my 30 years plus of walking with the Lord those two men are significantly, clearly I would have to call my two spiritual fathers through all these years. And a third man I would have to mention as a mentor. He was not really a spiritual father would have been John Wimber. He mentored me for three years in powerful ways. So I am going to talk about them because these two men whom I love dearly and respect dearly this day. I am going to begin with Bob Jones because he was the one that I met first. And Bob Jones, from 82 to 92, from those ten years I had nearly daily communication with Bob. That would be a little exaggeration but certainly many times in the course of a week for ten years. The revelatory experiences this man has had in my life in that ten year period have just been profound. I am going to tell you a little bit about Bob's life. I am going to be real brief maybe just five or ten minutes on his life and about five or ten minutes on his experiences that I believe help us understand the future in a way that is fully in line with the Word of God. Then I want to talk about Paul Cain. By the way, they were both born in 1929; both the same age. Both about what 74 or 75 something like that right now. They're born the same year 1929. Bob didn't meet the Lord until he was 39. Paul Cain is very opposite. Paul Cain grew up under a grandmother and a mother who were functioning in the realm of the spirit in the most profound way in the prophetic. So Paul Cain had a heritage of prophetic ministry going back several generations. Bob Jones grew up in an alcoholic family in the hills of Arkansas. He had two angelic experiences. Once when he was nine and once when he was fifteen. Two different times an angelic visitor communicated with him which you will find when you go deep in the lives of some prophets they had childhood experiences. Some of them, even before they met the Lord, where it was like a divine hint of the way their life was going to be in the future. The Lord was beginning to woo Bob. He went to the war, came home and became an alcoholic. Was just absolutely burned out in life and he went to the doctor. The doctor gave him pills. He got addicted to pills so he had to go to the Veteran's hospital to get off the pills and he said it was like living torture to get off those pills because he was so addicted to them. And that was in 1972-73 whatever. In 1975, on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1975, I am saying it right, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1975, that's right. He has a death

experience. He hemorrhages. Something, he just starts bleeding internally. It's a longer story and he actually dies in that sense that he is gone for a few minutes. Medically speaking he would've have been real close to being pronounced dead having bleed to death; that kind of thing. They rushed him to the hospital and all these things are happening and he sees two angels in this experience. And these two angels begin to talk to him about Kansas City and talking to him about the Midwest in the future. He said it numerous times in the years I was with him. He said it over and over and I want to share it with you because though I don't think most of you have heard it. It does definitely impact the way I view what's happening because I believe it. Because of the twenty-five experiences I had with Bob in the next ten years that were proven beyond doubt that they were lead of God. Neither Paul nor Bob Jones is infallible. I don't think it's safe or I don't think it's... it's just not wise to put somebody in the infallible status. You have to discern everything. You have to use team ministry, the gift of discernment, the Lord has to confirm it supernaturally. And so, I wouldn't put Bob in that category at all. But his words, he has these 25 I am thinking of are just absolutely staggering in their accuracy. Anyways, these angels in this death experience on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1975, they speak to him. The angels say this to him. The angels says that God has chosen Kansas City and God has chosen the Midwest. God has chosen the whole world if you want to know. God has a purpose for every place on the earth so I am not saying He has only chosen Kansas City. Don't go there. Two focuses' of the spirit's activity in the sovereign call upon Kansas City and the whole Midwest is the word's prophetic and intercession. These angels told him that prophetic ministry is going to come out of the heartlands that will touch the whole earth. Now there will be prophetic ministry coming out of China and Africa to touch the world as well, this isn't the only place that's only going to happen. But I am not going to continue to qualify that because I want to stay focused on... I don't want you to think this is that. The Lord is Lord of the whole earth and He has strategic centers over the whole earth of what He is about. He's working for a global, a global symphony lead by the head of the body of Christ, Christ Jesus. He is looking for something global to play the symphony of God's heart across the earth to reap in the harvest. So, I just want us to constantly not lose sight of the big picture as I begin to focus on some of the things pertaining specifically to Kansas City and the Midwest. But the angels of the Lord spoke to him that prophetic and intercession: there would be a measure. There would be an abundant measure of prophetic and intercession. Now, this is happening in 75' with Bob. My thing happens in 76' a year later. So they are both, kind of running parallel as the Lord is kind of getting us going, initiating us into this. I am going to give you about six or seven things because they have significantly to do with we're about at IHOP and what we're doing. But it belongs to any congregation that wants it and not only Kansas City but all the whole Midwest.

Number one: God is going to cause Kansas City to be a city of refuge. There is going to be several cities of refuge in America. Bob doesn't know how many. He doesn't believe hundreds. He doesn't know the numbers of cities of refuge. He says Kansas City is one of those cities. He heard this from the lips of an angel. Of course, he is wondering why is there a need to be a city of refuge. And the angel told him that there's going to be another great world war. There is going to be yet another great world war that will bring devastation across the earth. And of course, I believe the scripture pronounces that in

Revelation Chapter 6 verse 4. I believe this is yet to come. I believe in a Holy Spirit interpretation of Revelation 6:4 and will lead us to the conclusion this is yet to happen. I am not saying that types and parallels of this has not happened in history but the fullness of this is yet ahead. I saw another horse, fiery red went out and it was granted to this one who sat upon it to take peace from the earth. Beloved, let me say it real clear because I have many, many reasons for saying this more than this one and I got a bunch of bible verses and a lot of experiences through other prophetic people around the world. Let me say this real clear because without understanding this, a lot of other things don't make sense. There is coming another world war for sure. I want you clear about that because most Americans are living and churches are praying as though there isn't coming another world war. And this dynamically affects my focus at IHOP, this reality. Anyway chapter 6 verse 4, this horse was granted, the one who sat upon it to take peace away from the earth. Peace is going to be taken from the earth one more time before the Lord returns. It was granted that people should kill one another. It was granted that killing would increase in verse 8, it tells us in the middle and power was given to them over one-fourth of the earth to kill; one-fourth of the earth with hunger, with death, and by the beast of the earth. So by the sword and by hunger with death and by beast it mentions four things. And the angel told Bob Jones there is coming another great world war and this war Bob understood, I don't know the exact words, this war would surpass anything known in human history. I believe this so powerfully. There is coming another war but the angel also added another thing. I didn't quote this verse but it said this idea, there's coming great famine all over the earth. All over the earth is coming great famine. And it says this in a number of other places in the Word of God. Now, here is what the angel says. That in Kansas City when the war, the next great war breaks out and famine is all over the earth. God is going to cause Kansas City; there will be several cities in the Midwest and several cities outside as well. He says I will cause this to be a city of refuge for this nation, not the only one, and even for the nations of the earth. And the Lord told the angel he would raise up Kansas City to be a bread basket. This was the language actually. I said, "Bob, they actually said that?" He said, "Yes". It would be as spiritual and natural bread basket that would impact and be a blessing across the whole world in the time of world famine. The angel told him there would be supernatural finances generated in Kansas City and in the Midwest beyond anything that he could understand right there. He said it would be supernatural. It would go beyond anything Bob could comprehend. I believe in the Joseph Company. I believe there is going to be supernatural finances. I don't believe it just because an angel told Bob Jones and Bob Jones told me. I believe it for other reasons as well.

Pockets of mercy; where the agriculture and the economics would prosper even when there was not prosperity in other places. He saw a great light. The angel said to Bob "look suddenly" and Bob was startled and he looked. He said it was like an atomic explosion of bright, dazzling, crystal light. It was Holy Spirit power. And this bright light broke out of Kansas City like an explosion and it touched all over the Midwest initially in a powerful way and it reached to the ends of the earth in strength. Again, there is going to be a number of cities of refuge that are in the Lord's economy across the earth that are going to have these same kind of dynamics that are going to be taking place. Then the Lord told him that there was going to be young people and he said that they would fill the stadium.

He heard this from an angel. They would fill Arrowhead Stadium, which is Truman's Sports Complex. The first anointing that would be on them would be the anointing of the prophetic singers. Bob doesn't even understand this. When I first meet Bob he tells me this. He goes the prophetic singers are top on the list on God's agenda. He's going to gather them and anoint them in the stadium and they are going to release an open heaven all over Kansas City and the Midwest and touch nations of the earth. The Lord gave Bob a number of things that would confirm that and they happened. I am not going to explain them for time's sake. My point isn't to prove he was right. That was my challenge when I first heard him. I had to have proof, undeniable proof that God really spoke through him. Not that he was infallible by any means and in anyway. Not in any sense of the word but the Lord proved that in ways beyond measure. I will share that in the next couple of nights. I am going to tell you what I believe from the testimony of many prophetic voices. I could possibly come up with as many as twenty-five different prophetic voices outside of Kansas City. I don't mean just the ones living here over the years who believe this. Let me tell you what the Lord told Bob Jones. It says that on the east coast there is going to be limited nuclear exchange on the east coast in the midst of this world war. I believe that with all of my heart. I believe there is going to be limited nuclear exchange hit the east coast and he heard it from the Lord. And I have heard it from so many different people throughout the nations over the last twenty years. I believe there is going to be limited nuclear war touch the east coast. I believe that limited nuclear war is going to create disruption on the coast that is very, very strategic, very strategic disruption. The Lord is going to use it globally at many levels. Now, one of the most famous and one of the original testimonies of limited nuclear war on the east coast would have come from our first president, George Washington. Many of you are familiar with the vision of George Washington at Valley Forge. It's a very famous vision that is recorded in the Library of Congress where he saw three great wars. He saw his own war, the Revolutionary War, and he saw that he would be victorious. Then he saw a war related to Africa and slavery and brothers turning against brothers in America. It was written before the Civil War. Then there was one at the very end when fire bombs fell from heaven upon the east coast and there was fires breaking out everywhere on the east coast. I believe that with all my heart. That doesn't mean that people should not raise up houses of prayer on the east coast. I do believe there is going to be Cities of Refuge there. But I believe there is going to be disturbance and turbulence in our nation and there is nothing more important, there is nothing wiser than to throw ourselves into the heart of God. Begin to live lives of prayer and fasting. Cultivate the prophetic anointing. Begin to take serious what God and the prophets are saying. Turn it into fiery prayer furnaces and live like it is true. There is going to be limited nuclear war on the east coast and there is going to be a multitude of earthquakes on the west. Disease will be everywhere. But it is going to be intensified on the west coast. How much more reason to build a House of Prayer on the east coast and the west coast? How much more reason to ask God to raise up a City of Refuge because I don't have clarity what they are but God through His prophets will make that clear. I have no question that God through His prophets will make that clear. And the Lord is raising up the Midwest, several cities of refuge and prophetic and intercession. He's going to raise it up because he called intercession to be one of the primary redemptive gifts for the whole Midwest. Now, he went on to tell me that God put wheat in the Midwest like he put oil in the Middle East. There is more surplus grain in the Midwest



like there is more oil in the Middle East. The Lord has done this very, very strategically for every generation undoubtedly but there is a crescendo, there is a drama at the end of the age related to the two great prizes. The whole global community will be after these two prizes, oil in the Middle East and wheat in the Midwest. It is going to create a whole bunch of dynamics that none of us can fully understand. But the Lord told Bob this angel and this experience. That the wheat would be bread in the time of famine and there would be open heavens over Cities of Refuge where the rain would come and the crops would flourish where they were not flourishing in other places. And that Kansas City was the place, he said I am going to cause prophetic and intercession to come forth in such intensity out of this city and go like bright light all over the Midwest and back to Kansas City but he said it's going to happen here. Then in another time later, the Lord has communicated this to him in very, very dramatic ways maybe I will tell them in the eleven days about the nation of Israel. And he said this that's it is very, very much on God's heart to bring a tremendous harvest to the church in Israel. To the church in Israel and I say specifically the church in Israel because if the harvest comes, guess what? They are the church of Jesus Christ because you can't be harvested except you are born again believers in Yashuah, Messiah; therefore, you become the church in Israel. I hear people talk a lot about the church or Israel and we need to start talking about the church in Israel because that's where the revival is coming to the church in Israel. That's the concept of the prophetic scriptures. The Lord told him how important the church in Israel was to Him. Now listen to this, this was startling to me. He said that God called Kansas City to be a city of prophetic intercession and the Midwest and they would function in prophetic intercession through the bread, through the finances, through the Houses of Prayer all through the Midwest. And the prophetic ministries are coming to an intensity. Now as Bob is telling me this I am remembering my experience in December 19<sup>th</sup>, 1976 thinking I am going to be around this from now to the end. He says you have no idea the company of prophets that are going to be raised up in this city and all through the Midwest because He is called even before the foundations of the world, this for the Midwest. The very fact, that Harry S. Truman was a man that God used politically in a type of intercession for the nation of Israel. When the nations were against Israel in 1948, if there was one man on the earth, of course, it has to be God who did it, but if we understand that we bring it down a level. If you had to ask Israel, if you had to ask the leaders of the earth in 1948, if there was one man that would have been MVP, most valuable player for Israel becoming a nation, undoubtedly, they would have chosen Harry S. Truman. And this building we are in tonight is what one hundred yards, two hundred yards from Harry S. Truman's house. The house he grew up in. He spent his whole youth there. It's a museum. He says, "Do you know Harry S. Truman's house in Grandview?" This is a year or two before I ever laid eyes on this building or even heard of it. I said, "No, frankly, I don't know about Harry S. Truman's house in Grandview." He says, "Well, you are going to get to know it because as you are called to intercession and as he was a political intercessor for Israel this movement will lead to a world wide prayer movement that will be involved to birth the church in the nation of Israel." I said, "I didn't even know what you are talking about." He says, "You don't have to know. All you have to do is say yes each day when the Lord shows it." He goes, "The years will unfold and you will have great clarity about what I am telling you." He says, "One of these days, you are going to be right next door to him." He said, "That will wake you up!" A year or two later, in one hour and I will tell

the story possibly in how I got this building so supernatural, literally overnight. On May 15<sup>th</sup>, of 1985, we were desperate because the place we were at said we had to be out by June 1<sup>st</sup>. We had no place and we were in this building by June 1<sup>st</sup>. So beloved, I believe that we have a very dramatic purpose with the nation of Israel. I believe there's coming a third world war. I believe there's coming a revival in the church of Israel. The Midwest is going to become fiery in intercession and prophetic. The Lord actually told him that about the Midwest and the five hundred mile radius. This angel told him this in experience. The very first day I walked in the door and met him on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1983, he looked at me and said, "There is going to be a youth movement here. It's going to be of worshipers and intercessors." He goes, "It's prophetic and intercession. It's going to go all through the Midwest and it's going to touch the nations of the earth and it's going to be dynamically related to Israel." That was our first conversation. I didn't even have a clue to what he was talking about. He says, "You wait and see. It's going to come to pass." We'll talk about that tomorrow.

Now, we are going to take about the next ten or twelve minutes to talk about Paul Cain. I am going to give a global dimension of what God has told Paul Cain in one of his most significant experiences as well. Most of you know that Paul Cain's grandmother was a very powerful, prophetic woman. A prophetess and so was his mother. Her whole life she was committed to prayer and fasting. Her name was Anna and she was an Anna. She was one of the most devoted women that you would ever know ever. She has had five miscarriages and she is forty-five and she is pregnant: forty-five, pregnant, five miscarriages and three terminal diseases. She has tuberculosis-terminal. She has terminal heart disease and her body is filled with cancer. She is forty-five years old but the Lord told her when she was a young woman she would have a son. She hasn't had a son. She has had five miscarriages. She went home to die. The doctors said go home and die. She said, "Lord, you promised me a son. You promised me a son. I can not die, you promised me." She was a Pentecostal woman in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, in the 1900's where there were not many Pentecostals in those days. The angel of the Lord visited her one night and appeared to her; touched her and said, "Woman, you shall live and not die." She was instantly healed of every one of her terminal diseases. She was eight months pregnant and he said, "The child in your womb is a male. You shall name him Paul. He shall go forth with such signs and wonders and the Lord will visit him and speak to him as a prophet." She was instantly healed. Now, here is the interesting thing about Anna because I had the privilege of being able to meet her a few years before she died. When the angel touched her at forty-five years old she was so healed at forty-five she went on to live sixty more years to one hundred five. It's like she started over. He just gave her an overhaul. He just did the whole thing; kidneys, liver, heart, teeth, everything. Swoosh, there she was! She never had a sick day in her life until maybe she was ninety-five years old. She had not told Paul about this experience. She said, "Lord you tell him." At eight years old the Lord visits Paul. He's an eight year old boy and He appears to him and says, "Paul, Paul and told him the story. I visited you in your mother's womb. I healed your mother. I have called you as a prophet to the nations." Okay, Paul began to operate in the word of knowledge when he was eight years old. From age to eight to eighteen incredible miracles happened and I have heard stories of people who been eye witness' of those miracles. When he was eighteen years old, he begins to travel around

America. He gets a twelve thousand seat tent. He has the biggest tent in American for a year or two and miracles breaking. I remember once, he went to Karlsruhe, Germany and they had 30,000 a night for seventeen nights. I got to meet some elderly men in Karlsruhe where they said, "Oh, we remember Paul as a boy when the miracles were happening". I mean the creative miracles were taking place. He is thirty years olds, the Lord appears to him, calls him, and tells him to pull aside and to wait upon Him. For twenty-five years, Paul calls it his dear silent years. He's out in the dessert literally in Arizona in a little house waiting on the Lord, waiting on the Lord and the Lord gives him what becomes his most significant open vision. I believe this vision so well, because this is the very vision the angel gave Bob Jones about Arrowhead Stadium being filled with people continually with the prophetic song with the Lord empowered to release signs and wonders. For twenty-five years he is in his wilderness years from age thirty to fifty-five. Here he says I had a world ministry. He was on TV in the 50's, 12,000 seat tent, and the Lord says pull aside and wait upon me for another time, another generation. He sees what he calls the vision of the stadiums. He said he felt like a movie screen in front of me, he goes like an open vision movie screen in front of me. He says in this stadium the broadcaster, the television broadcaster, the anchorman on the television says, "We have no news tonight but good news! No news tonight but good news! No sporting events to announce!" What I believe the stadium events are going to precede the big trouble that breaks out just afterwards. I believe events are critical to happen just prior to the breaking forth of this global conflict under this world leader called the antichrist, the man of lawlessness. As the scriptures says so much about. And he said that the TV camera was brought into the stadium and the cameraman was up at the top looking down and the football field was completely jammed packed and all of the stadium was filled and the multitudes were worshipping. He noticed there were eight or ten on the stage at all times. He said he didn't understand that. Most of them were young and they were male and female. He says they were eight or ten at a time and heard the anchorman say. I heard it a hundred times, the same way, the same sentences, like a movie screen vision. I witnessed it for years. The guy said all most nameless faceless people. Nobody knows who they are but the same people remain under some kind of supernatural power for three days and three nights. The same people with out food, water, or change of clothing and they continued with a supernatural power and he goes, "Look over there!" and a couple of people were raised from the dead. And limbs were growing out and miracles were happening. Multitudes were getting saved. As that team would go three days and another team would come on and they would go one day, two days, three days under supernatural unction. He says there was always a whole team on the stage up there, moving in the power of God. Most of them were young people and they were male and female. Then the anchorman, it went back to him and he says, "This is happening all over the earth." The Lord began to speak to Paul over and over this one term. And He said, "It's a Joel's army." He goes, "I am raising up Joel's army." Now, Joel's army is a term that critics have come against Paul because they misinterpreted it. That Joel's army is not the army found in Joel 2:11 or Joel 2:25. That's a negative army. That's army of judgment against Israel. When Paul says Joel's army, it's a band of people across the earth like Gideon's army, like Joel's army. It's a band of people committed to fasting and prayer and the principals found in Joel Chapter 2. Joel Chapter 2 would be the reality that this army of believers lives in. Again, Joel's army is not the army of Joel 2:11 and Joel 2:25 and the reason I say that is because

critics for years have been telling Paul those armies in those two verses are negative. It's obvious that they are negative and Paul is not using the word army to parallel or to reference those two verses. He is using it like you would say a Gideon band or a Gideon army or a Joseph company. He is using it in that language. But it is men or women living in the principals of the book of Joel. Now, when Paul came and he says I am seen this a hundred times. I have seen this stadium vision and it's going to be lead by people who live the lifestyle of the book of Joel, Joel Chapter 2. It's the Joel 2 lifestyle he is talking about. And we are going to get to that because Joel 2 shows up about five times in these twenty years in a very, very dramatic ways. And God is wanting us to become a Joel 2 people, a Joel 2 lifestyle, and a Joel 2 forerunners and He wants to raise up in this place and all through the Midwest, actually all through the earth. Joel chapter 2 is critical. Then the very first time Paul Cain visits us. Paul Cain comes and his first visit here is in April 1987. He walked in and then afterwards he says, "Mike, I had a startling, startling experience." He goes, "You don't know me well enough to know how important this is to me." He says, "I saw over this company of people. I saw a banner; Joel's army in training." I said, "Cool!" He goes, "You have no idea what this means to me. You have no idea about my stadium vision." I go, "Well, tell me." He goes, "You don't know how it has sustained me for twenty-five years. Let me tell you something you don't know about yourself." He says, "You are going to live in a body with a group of people, the principles of Joel chapter 2." He goes, "God is calling you in to the book of Joel particularly chapter 2." I go, "Well, I have read it a little bit and I know it a little bit." And he goes, "No you don't. You don't even know it at all. You don't really even hardly understand Joel 2. But God is going to raise up a people that embody the reality of Joel chapter 2. The Lord wanted me to really emphasize that to you. God is going to unlock Joel chapter 2 to you in the days to come." Now, we are going to talk Joel 2 because four or five other things have happened where Joel 2 is right on the menu of the Lord right now for IHOP. And it is for such a time as this. I want to tell one more thing about Paul Cain to introduce him. It was a June 1988, now this is going to be hard for some of you to possibility to follow. I don't want to develop it and if you don't understand it go ask somebody what it means because I don't to give all the background behind it. But what happened is that Paul had a very prophetic dream about the nations of the earth and the end of the age one night. And he saw three, kind of like, Daniel chapter 2 with Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel chapter 7 with Daniel. Where Nebuchadnezzar saw four political empires in four successive time frames piled up on top of each other. Now, that's the part you may not understand. Daniel saw the same thing. He saw four empires in four successive periods of time, one following the other. And this is what Paul Cain saw. He saw three empires on three successive periods of time crescendoing into a divine drama that is staggering. It's June 1988, and he goes I have had staggering dream. He was in Kansas City. He was shaking. Oh, wait a second I have to say one more thing about Joel. It just comes to mind just now. He goes here's why he is raising up a people committed to the Joel 2 lifestyle. Paul Cain is wide awake and he hears the audible voice of the Lord. He said this, "To the church with out mixture I will give the spirit without measure." He said one day I was sitting there one morning, I met him and his face was just white. I just heard the voice of God. It went externally; it went through me like thunder. He said, "To the church without mixture I will give the spirit without measure." And this is the Joel 2 lifestyle that the stadiums are going to be filled and lead by people

with this lifestyle. Anyways, I almost forgot that. Now, so I come this other time and Paul says, he goes, here is what I have seen. June 88'. He saw in America, now it was the election year and it was George Bush against Michael Dukakis, right? He says the newspaper said George Bush is fishing and the point of it was they wanted to communicate how relaxed he was. Instead of campaigning he was on a fishing trip. He was just taking it easy. He was so sure he would win he'd didn't care. It was kind of a political posturing. And the Lord told him he says, "Bush is hunting for quail and quail will hide behind the bush." Okay now, in June 88' no one ever heard of Dan Quail. And he says Bush is hunting for quail and quail will hide behind the bush. He says within one year of George Bush becoming president God will knock the wind out of communism. I said knock the wind out of communism? Now this is eighteen months before November 89, when the wall comes down and I went do you know what communism is? He goes yes, I do. He says it's going to knock the wind out of it within one year of Bush finding Quail and becoming president. And he says after that a little time is going to pass and God is going to raise up the residue of communism. He is going to mix it together with Islam. Form an empire that is going to be based in Europe and it's going to be horrendously evil and it will shake the nations of the earth but God will raise up a church in Europe and a church in the earth that will stand against its tide with the authority of Jesus. So now, we go back, those are the three parts. Paul goes I don't know why I would have a global end-time international revelation about the end of the age and have a riddle about Quail and Bush. He goes I don't get it! Two, three months later it's announced, I believe it's in August, I can't remember exactly but George Bush picks a young guy nobody ever heard of named Dan Quail. And Paul came to me the day that was happening and goes, "Look, that's his running mate! Quail! Quail!" He goes, "Quail! What do you think it means that Quail is going to hide behind the Bush and of coarse George Bush was a war hero? Dan Quail didn't have the same status, we will just leave it there and so George Bush put his shoulders out and said, "Hey, I picked him. He loves America. He's a patriot" And he hide behind George Bush's military record as a hero. Bush is protecting Quail. He's hiding under his wings. So now, in August, I go, "Wow, I believe part two now!" Bush and Quail which confused me but now that it happened exactly. I go, "I believe for part two." He says, "You believe me, that knocked the breath out of communism." I go, "Oh, that's a hard one to believe." He says, "Well the Quail and Bush one was pretty odd as well." I go "Yea, but this is a hard one." He goes, "I am going to proclaim this. Communism is coming down." I just couldn't believe it could really happen, to be honest. November, the election, George Bush wins. Twelve months later, we are getting close to the twelve months. I go, "Paul, Paul it's coming close." November, the next year, the Berlin Wall comes down and the dismantling of the Soviet Union and all this. And I went unbelievable. And Paul said, "It's not about Bush and Quail in America for three months. The point wasn't that. The point wasn't even about communist, soviet USSR within eighteen months. He goes, "Those were only faith builders. The message is in the third part of the prophecy." He says, "There is going to be a resurgence. There is going to be a new kingdom that's going to rise out of the ashes. It will have the spirit of communism. It will be mingled in with the spirit of Islam. It will be rooted in Europe. It will be horrendously evil. The whole earth will shake under its terror. The whole earth will be shaken by its terror but God will raise up a church in Europe and raise a church all over the earth which will be able to withstand its terror in

the authority and the victory of Jesus. Many will be martyred but multitudes will stand in full love and they will escape it by the protection of the Lord and many things will happen.” And Paul said, “For such a time as this we have come to the earth.” Beloved, there is war coming. I believe, I believe this and I am going to end with this. Now this is a giant statement to end with and I know it’s not fair to end with it but I am going to end with it anyway because we are out of time. I believe that the political sovereignty of America will be temporarily disrupted. I believe there will be a short period of time where the political sovereignty of the United States will be interrupted temporarily. And I believe there will be cities of refuge. I believe we will be occupied by foreign forces. This empire that was based in Europe that’s far bigger than Europe. I don’t believe America will be conquered. I believe for a short season we will be occupied. I believe that there will be limited nuclear exchange on the east coast. I believe there will be earthquakes and plagues. I believe there is going to be a famine throughout the land. I believe there is going to be an open heaven over cities of refuge. The rain will come. I believe that police forces will be disrupted. There will be local governments in some areas resisting this military presence from overseas. Regions will be occupied and other areas will be cities of refuge with apostles and prophets leading the people of God. Angelic visitations, signs and wonders, rain coming, supernatural prosperity, and there is going to be several of them in the Midwest and it’s critical that in the cities of refuges there are 24 hour Houses of Prayer and people living the Joel 2 lifestyle in the name of Jesus. Amen. Let’s stand.