

## **Prophecies for October 5, 2008**

Lord, we are honored to welcome You to Your house this week. It's made with human hands but inhabited by the Holy Spirit.

We welcome You, Lord, not only into this house of worship, but also, the house of our hearts, to the temple that is our bodies. Because You do not answer us unless we ask You to. So we welcome You today into our hearts. We ask You to rule. The world says, "It's my body. It's my mind, my decision." We say, "No, it's not ours." This is Your body, Lord. We are Your body, and each of us individually, our bodies are Yours. Our minds are Yours. Our spirits are Yours, Lord. And we take that revolutionary claim that we are not our own, but we are Yours.

The Lord is saying, "You are a new creation," this morning. Each and every time You repent and give yourself to the Lord, you are a new creation.

Lord, this nation is so divided right now. We so need Your guidance, Lord. We pray for our leaders to be given the inspiration to lead the way You lead us.

We lift before You this morning, Lord, our President, George Bush, and the two men who would be President, Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain. I pray that You will be with each one of them, that You would guide them, that You would direct them, that You would be in their spirits to look to You as they seek answers for this country. That they might know where those answers come from. As Your church, we beseech You, Lord, to be with our leaders, present and future, that they might lead us in ways of righteousness.

## **Prophecies for October 12, 2008**

I have some good news from this Tuesday. I have a 78-year-old uncle, I've mentioned before, had never been baptized. Well, after we came back from our recent vacation, he indicated he wanted to be baptized. And he waffled back and forth, back and forth. His minister came over on Monday, this Monday, with a friend. And they talked about baptism. And he said, "Yes, yes, I do want to be baptized." He wasn't quite definite, but that's as good as he's going to get. They finally decided to have a baptism in a month or so. My aunt says, "Can we make it sooner?" "Yes, we can," said the minister. "Let's do it tomorrow." So this Tuesday my uncle was baptized. And he called me up afterwards. And he said, "Boy, my body really hurts. It's full of pain. But, boy, I feel wonderful." Thank You, God.

There's been a suggestion made that perhaps I should say something about the economy. I have absolutely, positively nothing to say. I've been involved in securities markets for more than 35 years, and I have never in my entire life seen anything comparable to what we've experienced in the last week. I went through '87. I went through '76. I've been through a lot, but I've never seen anything like this. And I have absolutely no quick fixes or soft words to say about this economy. I have no earthly idea how it's all going to come out. But I can tell you this much, it is going to be all right. For the people in this room, the people of God, it will be all right. Somewhere our Lord tells us not to lay up for yourselves treasures on earth where a thief can break in and a moth can destroy. Rather lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven. That's the only word of comfort I can bring to you today about the economy. Because I don't know what's going to happen to the American economy. I really don't know

what's going to happen to western civilization as we know it. But I do know something about the economy of God. Every act of kindness, of decency, of generosity, of love, of self-sacrifice lays up for you treasures in heaven. So I say to you today, put no confidence in princes, put no confidence in the things of this world, because they are passing away. But this I can tell you, God loves you. God is not mad at you. And God will never leave you or forsake you. So if your 401K is worth 30% less today than it was a week ago or not, whatever betides, that first song we sang said it all. Even if the cattle all die and all the rest, even if He slay me, yet I will praise Him. I will rejoice in the Lord. And that is the word of the Lord today. Trust Him. He knows even when a sparrow falls. And all the hairs of your head are numbered. He will provide the things we need for this life. Not all the things we'd like to have, but all the things we need. And more importantly, we have already laid up treasure in heaven by accepting that which God has given us.

Sort of a confirmatory word for that. All through that first song I kept thinking about something I'd read this week: "Well, this may very well be from the Lord, because we will think about whether we really trust in Him." You know, are you trusting in that, or are you trusting in God?

Can I add something? You were sitting there ... and Father opened his hand, and to me it was like he was giving me comfort. And the word that came to me was it's that simple.

I would just like to testify to God's goodness and confirm exactly what Father Nick is saying and reassure. Luke has gone through this grade two concussion, and it's taken several weeks to come through it. He was just released by the neurologist Thursday. Friday night he goes into the ballgame and gets another concussion. And praise God, today he is okay. It is nothing like the first one was, and yet the doctor called us down to the fence and told us, told me and Doug, he's got another concussion. But God is good, and He takes care of us. And I just praise Him for His goodness. And how He proves to us over and over again how He loves us. He will not forsake us.

I've got one more. This is really personal for me, because it involves my daughter. She had to leave home where she was pampered and taken care of for 19 years and move into a trailer where she was afraid. She had to stay by herself at night. One morning this week Alex's Trans Am was broken into outside the trailer at four o'clock in the morning. And so she can't stay in that trailer anymore by herself. But God has kept the cabin at Amanda's open, so they'll be moving into the cabin right now. That's not an accident that the cabin is ready for them.

Can I give a praise report? This is personal to me, because these people are like family to me. I'm a CAN nurse that helps my landlady take care of her husband. He's 88 and had a stroke four years ago. We've been noticing his condition is deteriorating, but I keep praying for complete restoration, total healing, wellness. And his mobility is really poor. He went for about a week I could not get him in the shower, because he's six foot tall and two hundred some odd pounds. So it's kinda hard. Wednesday I was praying, and we're both Christians, but I believe a little differently. I believe in prayer of faith and miracles. I was standing there exhausted, because I was trying to get this guy in the shower. And I'm in tears, and she's standing there, "Oh, Debra, honey, it's okay. There's just no way he's going to be able to lift up that foot. He hasn't lifted up that foot in a while. There's just no way." And I said, "God, I just pray for a miracle for his mobility right now, so he can get a shower, and I can help get his body clean." I was about to give up, and I'm standing there, and the walker is there. He gets a little agitated, because he's confused, and he didn't know who I was at that point. And then all of a sudden. I just started thanking God for whatever. All of a sudden he grabbed his walker, he lifted up that bad

foot and gets it in the shower. I gave him a shower.

I have a praise report, too. Many years ago the Lord blessed my granddaughter, Jade. She had two brain surgeries within four days. And she's had many operations since. But she's been in remission now for a few years. She went to Duke University this week, and she's still in remission. Praise God!