

## How to Change the Atmosphere of Your Community Doug Addison with Sharon Ngai [Episode 67] September 26, 2018

Hey friends, welcome to another <u>Spirit Connection podcast</u>. I hope you get a lot out of these and also the <u>Spirit Connection webcast</u> and <u>blog</u> on my website, <u>DougAddison.com</u>. I've been doing it for a number of years. God gives me prophetic words, I release them out to people, and also some training and teachings on how to pray, how to get in line with the specific season that we are in right now.

Now, God is shifting things in the spiritual atmosphere. If you've been following my teachings, you will know that I talk about you don't have to actually deal with what's dealt to you. You can shift the spiritual atmosphere around you. You have everything you need already. You've got God's Word, you have the Holy Spirit, you've got the gifts of the Holy Spirit in you, you've got people around you. You have it all. You have the goods to be able to get a breakthrough in your life.

This week on *Spirit Connection* podcast I'm going to be talking about shifting the spiritual atmosphere. And in just a little bit, I have a special guest that is going to really bless you. All right.

Well, we thank You, Lord, for this message of being able to take what You've given us—the treasures, those things that You have placed inside of us through the Holy Spirit—and we can now take them now to a new level. We can activate the words—prophetic words, the written Word, promises—we can activate them right now and shift the spiritual atmosphere that's around us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Well, if you've been following my messages, for a number of years I've been talking about this—that you can actually change the spiritual atmosphere or condition of your life. Now, an atmosphere, you know, it's like a ... it's kind of like a vibe. Have you ever been around someone who is totally negative, and then there's negativity flowing to them? Or maybe someone who has peace, and there's just peace around them? I started noticing this years ago, and I began to study this aspect of the spiritual life. I started noticing Christians, I started noticing people who carried a certain type of anointing or a certain type of vibe was around them. And I would take note of things they would do, and in the process of this I realized my own life.

Years ago, I was in a situation where I just felt like I was locked down. I wasn't hearing God like I used to. I mean this was back, I think, around 2004. I wasn't hearing God the way I used to, my dreams seemed to start to go down. You know, the Lord was still using me. I was traveling, speaking, releasing prophetic words. I've been doing what I've been doing for a long time.

But something was weird all of a sudden, and then the Lord began to speak to me. He said, "If you would stop complaining, I would change your life." And then He opened up verses and different things to me. If you want to know more about it, it's the <u>Love Not Judge</u> audio I have. But it's all through, kind of woven like a tapestry, through all of my messages.

The Lord took me on this time, and I encourage people to do this, too—a negativity fast. Step away from negative talk and negative thoughts, and you will indeed see a change in your life. Now this goes way deeper and way wider. We could go really, really deep. So, my whole life changed, and I went on a journey to understand this.

Folks, listen. This is the secret. If you want to know how I can hear God accurately on a consistent level—how I release the <u>Daily Prophetic Words</u>, how I am able to do this—is stepping away from negativity, because it closes the spiritual atmosphere over you. And there is a way then if it could be closed, there's a way for it to be opened. That was one of the things I started to notice. You know, you can have a closed atmosphere. You know, like have you ever been around the people who seem to carry a negativity or that vibe? If you can have that, then you can have an open atmosphere. So, the Lord really took me on that journey years ago, and now I train people to do this.

So, where it is in the Bible? Let me just give you a couple of things about shifting the spiritual atmosphere, because I got the whole idea from the Lord, by the way. The Holy Spirit woke me up. I had an angelic encounter in my bedroom at night. An angel came in, literally, and in 2004 whispered some things in my ear. And then over the next few weeks, I started getting revelation that moved me into this level now.

Well way back then, the Lord began to show me some things that Jesus actually did. I had done a thorough study years ago with all of the encounters that Jesus or one of His disciples had with unbelievers—not Sadducees, Pharisees, not teachers of the Law—but with people outside the Church. It was an amazing study because He didn't use the verses that we often use to share God's love. This was years and years ago. I actually had a thesis that, you know, the evangelism of the Bible is definitely not the evangelism we see today or the outreach level of it. I don't want to just say this is a talk on that. It's not at all because these principles go way beyond that.

The study I did—and I actually took it out on the road for a number of years—I was showing people how to do this. We would go out to the mall. I'd show them how to get encouraging words, because prophecy is for encouragement and comfort, and it will

shift the spiritual atmosphere. We would go out to the mall and have a great time, come back and share the stories. It was such a fulfilling time of my life.

Now, I normally speak off of, you know, my computer or an iPad. But right now, I'm holding in my hand the actual Bible that I used for a number of years when I went out and spoke these messages about how Jesus interacted with unbelievers. And also, when I would do this and shift the spiritual atmosphere over people, then take them out to the mall, and then we would in turn shift the spiritual atmosphere over unbelievers. And it was so amazing!

So, in John 4, Jesus has this encounter with the woman at the well. Now, this is really interesting. She wasn't a believer. In fact, quite the opposite. Jesus knew that He was going to have an encounter. He stayed behind while His disciples went out and gathered, you know, bought something to eat. And He knew He was going to have this encounter with this woman who was an outcast. You could tell because all the other women came to draw water at Jacob's well. They came early in the morning, so she came at noon. Probably because she was ridiculed, she was being bullied, she was being abused and things like that by other people because she was a spiritual outcast. Now, this is the type that Jesus wanted to reach. So, He has this encounter with her in John 4 and He's telling her straight-up who He is. He's starting to talk about spiritual things. In John 4:16–18 (NIV),

He says, "Go, call your husband and come back." "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true," and this woman says, "Wow! I perceive you to be a prophet."

Yes. You know, this is what totally rocked her world, and then something happened. It shifted the spiritual atmosphere over her. And in verse 39, we see many of the Samaritans from that town believed in Jesus because of this woman's testimony: "He told me everything I ever did" (John 4:39 NIV). Well, apparently He was telling her stuff that no one, you know, really wanted to talk about. She had been married 5 times, she is living with a guy. Let's just say she was well connected, right?

Well, listen. Most people think He was judging her, but He was not judging her. He didn't say, "Away from Me, you adulterous woman." Right? He said to her, "You know, you've been married 5 times and you're living with a guy now, but what you said is quite true." So, in other words, Jesus calls this adulterous woman honest. Wow, He found something positive in her that shifted the spiritual atmosphere over her. Not only over her, but her entire town or part of the town came to Jesus that day because of the prophetic gift and the gift of the word of knowledge. That's what He was giving her was a word of knowledge. She had been married 5 times. You know, He goes on to talk prophetically to her. We've been doing this for a number of years.

Now, I no longer go on outreaches. People say, "Can I go on an outreach with you like you did on the <u>Father of Lights?</u>" You know, where we went out to Venice Beach and we went to the nightclub in Hollywood. And we would do dream interpretation, prophetic words, interpret tattoos and things like that. I say, "Well, I actually seldom go out anymore on outreaches because I am an outreach."

I want to train you how to be an outreach right now by shifting the spiritual atmosphere. What I'm doing right now to you is I'm shifting your spiritual atmosphere. Something's happening right now that's going to line you up for something new and radical.

Now, later on in the Book of John, Jesus has an encounter with a woman caught in adultery. And they were going to stone her, and Jesus did something. He told the people, "Let the one without sin cast the first stone." Now, He made a statement here. He like drew a line in the sand and said, "Wait a minute. You can't judge people or you yourself will be judged." And that's the message of Jesus.

Listen to me. Once He got rid of her accusers—this is so important to shifting the atmosphere, because she was under the accusation, the atmosphere of accusations. But once He got rid of the accusers, they all left, then she was able to repent. And it was then that He was able to say to her, "Go and sin no more." You can't say that to a person, "Go and sin no more," until you've removed the judgments and you've accepted them and loved them with all your heart. This is a secret right now to shifting the spiritual atmosphere over you, over cities. That is love and not judge.

We're going to go into this a little bit more deeper, because I have a special guest on. She is a friend. She and her husband are friends of mine, and we minister in Hollywood together and, I tell you, they have the spirit of love, not judge. It flows from them so much. Her name is Sharon Ngai. She is a wife, a mother, a minister, a prophetic intercessor. She is the co-founder, with her husband, Jonathan, of <a href="Radiance">Radiance</a> <a href="International Hollywood House of Prayer">International Hollywood House of Prayer</a>. Now, this is a ministry that is contending for the glory of God in Hollywood since 2011.

Now, I went to this Hollywood House of Prayer. It's next to the Whiskey a Go-Go on Hollywood Boulevard. This is like the real deal, and these guys are living it out. They love people. They're opening up the spiritual atmosphere. She is also the founder and president of <u>Justice Speaks</u>, a non-profit organization that focuses on fighting human trafficking, and they reach out to over 1,000 at-risk volunteers and people stuck in Thailand, and people ...

I tell you, every time I'm around them, I've spoken down at the Hollywood House of Prayer, people are just coming in off the streets. I had a woman come in off the street while I was speaking, and she's like getting what I was saying. She wasn't even a believer, and she just showed up in Hollywood. These people ... In other words, Sharon and Jonathan are the real deal. They have encounters like Jesus did with the woman at the well. I'm so excited what's going to happen today.

Doug: Sharon, welcome to the podcast. How are you doing?

Sharon: I'm good. I'm so happy to be on with you, Doug.

Doug: Yes. My whole team was really excited and have been praying about the

right time to invite you and Jonathan to be part of it, and you were the one

who came up. We felt the Lord saying we need to get Sharon Ngai.

Sharon: Aww.

Doug: She has something to share that's going to shift the spiritual atmosphere over

people. So, why don't you just tell us a little bit about yourself?

Sharon: Wow! It is such an honor to be on your show, Doug. You are such a blessing

to the Body of Christ. It's truly an honor to speak to your audience today. Just a little bit about me, I would like to say I'm a daughter of the Renewal Movement that hit Pasadena through Pastor Ché's church. I also call him Papa Ché. I was a daughter of that movement that came out of Toronto that landed in Pasadena, and the nightly meetings that went on at Mott. I was

there. My peers were there.

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: I was there just drinking from the well of these amazing speakers. My life was

radically transformed at the age of 17. And when that renewal hit and I was

about 17-1/2, 18 ... I just knew that God had a calling for me ...

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: ... and it was there that I heard amazing speakers speak like Cindy Jacobs,

Stacey Campbell, John Arnott—just the whole gang, the whole river gang. And my life was just completely wrecked. And I just knew that, you know, it would never be the same, and I wanted to just serve the Lord. I wanted to, you know, whether it be for missions or ministry, or whatever it looked like. I

just knew I wanted to go for it.

Doug: Wow!

Sharon: And it was around that time, Doug, that someone handed me a book from

Cindy Jacobs, and it was <u>Possessing the Gates of the Enemy</u>. And they said, "Sharon, you really need to read this." And by then, I had this thing that was rumbling in me already. Like I just ... I love to pray, I wanted to get into "the prayer closet," because people said you needed to go and pray in your prayer closet and I thought that was literal. I thought they meant, you know,

"Get in your room and close the ... Pray in your closet and just pray in there." And I thought that's what they meant.

So, I literally, you know, went into my closet. And it was so messy, it was such a mess, clothes everywhere. And I yanked tons of stuff out, and I carved a little spot for myself to sit in that little spot and my closet's stinky. But I sat there, and I just sought the Lord, because I thought, oh yes, this is what the river people ... that's what they do.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: They go, they go to their prayer closet, so that's what I'm going to do.

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: So, someone hands me this book, and it's *Possessing the Gates of the Enemy* and said, "You have to read this book." I remember reading it and just completely eating it up. There was one part where Cindy said, "You can enlist and be part of the army of God. And you can do it right now, just pray this simple prayer and tell God that you want to enlist in His army." And I dropped everything, and I prayed the prayer that she wrote out. And I said, "God, I'm going to be a part of this army. I don't know what it looks like, but I want to be part of this prayer army." I had no idea that that literally set me on a course ...

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: ... of being part of the army of God and intercession and shifting history, changing history, partnering with Jesus. That's literally the greatest joy that I have discovered in my life, and it's fun.

Doug: Wow! What a testimony. Now, here you are. Were you born in California or LA?

Sharon: I was born in Hong Kong. My family immigrated here when I was 8 years old, and my mom was a Christian, so I grew up going to church. My whole life I went to church, Sunday school. I was a good Christian girl. I kind of fell away when I was in high school. I walked away from the Lord, but my heart was still, you know ... I still loved God, but it was when I was 17, my junior year, that there was a bunch of youth and Lou Engle would talk about this. It was this bunch of Asian youth. There was like Asian revival that was taking place in my city, LA, right here, and I got swept up in that. I remember just seeing all these young people on their faces crying out for the nations and weeping, and just the Spirit of God was in the place.

They would worship with abandonment. I remember thinking, oh, my gosh. I've never seen this. I've never experienced this. I've been, you know, a Southern Baptist girl all my life. I've never seen this type of, you know, fire—this life, this energy, this passion, you know? And so, I remember just thinking, "Whatever they have, I want it."

Doug: Wow!

Sharon: I'm just that kind of girl. Like, I'm just like ... I'm just hungry. I saw it, I wanted it. I never questioned, you know, what is all that? I was just like, "God, I know it's You. I want it." And not long after that, I got baptized in the power of the Holy Spirit. And then the river broke out at Mott Auditorium through the ministry of Pastor Ché, and Harvest Rock Church and Lou Engle. And I just feel like I'm just the fruit of that, a daughter of that movement.

Doug: What a rich, rich heritage. You know, I actually met my wife, Linda, during the 1994 Toronto ...

Sharon: Oh.

Doug: ... Blessing season. Now, we were up in San Francisco.

Sharon: Come on.

Doug: What was really interesting is my first encounter is when Randy Clark and John Arnott brought it to the Bay area. But it was through ...

Sharon: Wow.

Doug: ... these Chinese churches—four Chinese Mandarin-speaking churches that I was actually part of.

Sharon: Come on.

Doug: I was helping lead a meeting and teaching the prophetic, you know, in the English-speaking group. But I actually received the Toronto blessing and everything through the Chinese ...

Sharon: Come on.

Doug: ... and there was such fire. There was just something about ...

Sharon: Wow!

Doug: ... this power and fire in 1994 when that hit the Bay area.

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: I know it. I just felt like ... I forgot about that actually, until you just said that.

And I realized, "Hey, wait a minute. You know, I was part of that as well" ...

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: ... and it was Chinese as well. It was Asian in a sense that ... Wow, this is so

exciting. So, somewhere along the line you met your husband.

Sharon: I did. I met him at our church, the one that we were growing up in. And,

interestingly enough, he has the same testimony as just, he got caught up in this wave. His parents went to the Argentina Revival, and they came back

completely transformed.

Doug: Come on.

Sharon: And his parents started going down to Anaheim where, when it started

breaking down there with John Wimber. So, and then so my husband, Jonathan, who was, you know, not my husband at that time. But he got caught up in that. And then I was also going down to Anaheim Vineyard, and then one day he saw me. He was just like, "Hey, don't we go to the same church?" And he was just wondering, like, what's up with you being here at this place? And I was looking at him wondering the same thing, and I think that's just how our paths just connected. It was through the passion that we had for the renewal, for God's presence. We were just so hungry and, you know, honestly, we grew up in that. You know, that was part of our

background. And a lot has, you know, kind of changed over the years. But

right now. I just feel like the same excitement in the Spirit, the same

pregnancy. It's just ...

Doug: Yes. Come on.

Sharon: I feel like the atmosphere is just completely pregnant with that same

expectation of God moving once again. I've never felt it like I did back then. I'm feeling it now. I'm feeling it today—2018. I just feel like, wow, we're on the verge of coming back full circle. And it's not going to be just the river, but it's

going to explode in the magnitude that all the prophets have been

prophesying ...

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: ... for years and years and years. I feel like this is ... this is the time, this is

the time. And I'm feeling it just like I did when I was a young person except

even more. I'm just, like, we're on the brink.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: I know you're feeling it too, Doug.

Doug: Yes. I know. I'm like, I've been trying to tell people, "Yes, I know revival is

coming. I know I've been saying it every year. I know. I tell you, it is it."

Sharon: Exactly.

Doug: This is ... I've never felt the pregnancy that I do now ...

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: ... and that the water might have already broken. I'm telling you, it is ... Just

last month was 9 months, that's like a pregnancy period, since the Rosh Hashanah–Yom Kippur time. It was like 9 months pregnancy period, and I released a prophetic word over it, that this is it. God's birthing something new

right now.

Sharon: Wow!

Doug: And here we are. We're in this time and more people are feeling it. And if

you're not out there, you actually ... This is contagious.

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: You can pick up the fire of the Lord, and some people are, you know? They

might not know what we're talking about, but it was an amazing move of God. And it was actually the last known big revival that we had actually in North America. It was 1994, the Toronto Blessing. We had a few things that came

after that, but nothing that went worldwide—and we're overdue.

Sharon: That's right.

Doug: The baby's overdue for a new birth in the Spirit, and we're believing that it's

here. We really do. It's not just in a California thing at all.

Sharon: No.

Doug: But California has been one of the forerunners, you know, when we get

things and especially Southern California, LA, that area.

So I met you guys a few years ago and I've spoken at your church.

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: Actually, I went to I think it was the national ... No, it was not the National Day

of Prayer. It was on the Gay Pride Day, I think ...

Sharon: Oh yeah.

Doug: ... in West Hollywood, and you guys were doing a prayer meeting ...

Sharon: I think so.

Doug: ... and you were having prophets come in and people, intercessors, and

doing a prayer meeting. I don't know how I ended up there, but I remember

meeting you guys and said, "Wow, I love this place."

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: It was the Radiance International Hollywood House of Prayer on Hollywood

Boulevard. I'm looking for it. I'm looking for this place as we're driving, and I said, "It's not next to the Whiskey a Go-Go," which is an iconic place? If you want to tell anyone where to go, Whiskey a Go-Go is one of the landmarks

there. It's well-known over Starbucks. Anyway.

Sharon: Yes. Yes, we are surrounded. We're just, we're on the Sunset Strip. We're

completely surrounded by iconic clubs that have been iconic since the 60s or 70s for rock bands, you know, which had no name but literally came to fame by playing in some of these places like the Whiskey a Go-Go, the Roxy, the Viper Room right across the street. We're completely surrounded by them. I

don't know if I ever told you how we actually got to Hollywood.

Doug: No. I never heard.

Sharon: Because, you know, like I said, we were just so into seeing revival come to

LA and it started at the Azusa Street. Really, the Lord planted us there with the House of Prayer right next to the historic site of Azusa Street. The revival which, you know, started in 1906. And we were there. I was just happily being an intercessor praying for revival to come to my city, Los Angeles. I'm just praying, "God, come. Revive LA, pour, pour out Your Spirit upon my city." And then one day the Lord just interrupted me and just said, "Well, if you're praying it, if you really want to see revival come to your city, Los Angeles, you have to pray for Hollywood." I was like, "What? Like, what does that mean?" And He just said, "If you want to see revival come to Los Angeles,

you must pray for Hollywood." And He said, "If Hollywood is revived, the state will be revived, the nation will be revived and the whole world will be touched by My Spirit."

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: And I just remember I didn't understand that at first. It was in 2006. I never heard Christians really talk about Hollywood, like, go to Hollywood. I've never really heard about God coming to Hollywood to revive it. And we just stepped out in faith and just began to pray for Hollywood and soon ... You know, about 5 years after that, He landed us in Hollywood through the direction of our spiritual mom, Cindy Jacobs. And she said, "Go to the heart of the city.

Plant the House of Prayer there and just, you know, stake your ground in Hollywood. That's the heartbeat of your city. And if that is revived, the nations, the nations of the Earth will be touched."

So, out of obedience to the Lord—because we didn't really, honestly, didn't really want to go there at first—but when we planted ourselves in Hollywood we felt like, wow, now we get it. We understand. We understand why we had to come. Like our feet. It had to be on the ground, had to be on the soil of the ground to literally land prayers there. And we've been there now, Doug, for 7 years.

Doug: Wow!

Sharon: We just celebrated our 7th year anniversary of being a House of Prayer in Hollywood. And it has not been the easiest ride or journey whatsoever. But we just stake our place in the ground, and I believe about 40,000 hours or so

we have sown into the ground of Hollywood.

Doug: Yes, and this is the real deal. This is such good stuff. Now, we started our ministry, InLight Connection, back in 2003 in LA. We started in San Francisco, but we moved to LA in 2003. And the Lord said, "I want you to take Hollywood." So, I took it literal. And we started doing our meetings at the Holiday Inn Hollywood, and it was like a toilet bowl. It was hard, you know? There wasn't anyone ... We didn't have any prayer covering. We just went in there, like cold turkey. It was rough. It was really, really rough. We moved our ministry to the west side where, you know, I found out later that Hollywood is an industry as well ...

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: ... and we moved it to the west side, where we are now. We're on the west side but, you know, it's not easy. It's expensive here. You know, this is expensive, this type of ministry.

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Sharon: Yes.

Doug: People don't understand ...

Sharon: No.

Doug: ... this level. But what it does is it opens something up in the spiritual realm.

Sharon: Definitely.

Doug: So, you came in. God gave you a strategy, right?

Sharon: He did.

Doug: So, to take Hollywood, and something happened because you shifted the

atmosphere.

Sharon: Well, it was very dark. It was very difficult when we came. It was hard.

There's so much intimidation, so much warfare. The level of heaviness just right off the bat, right when we came into the city, one of the spiritual mothers of the land welcomed us and said, "Hey, just want to welcome you and Jonathan into the land of, you know, praying here in Hollywood. But I do want to let you know that, you know, it's difficult here. Your finances will probably be attacked, your marriage will, you know, come under fire." And we're just like, "What?" She was just like, you know, "It's Hollywood, it's hard, but I'm going to pray for you, I'm going to pray grace for you." Honestly, it was just like every marriage that we knew, that came with us, was completely ... by

the second month that we were there, everyone was going through it, you

know?

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: It was difficult. All our finances were dry, marriages were under attack, and

so much division. And we realized that it is a covenant-breaking spirit that rules over this region and, you know, just in terms of division and disunity and marriages. We had to fight, we had to press through, we had to fight for that. We had to, as forerunners, we had to pave the way and get the victory so that others who come after us can step into that same blessing and victory

because we had to go and get it.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: I'm telling you, it wasn't easy. But even in landing on the Sunset Strip, you

know, right across the street from us ... You know, Doug, I think you've seen it. It's the biggest flagship store in the world for Hustler, the Hustler building ...

Doug: Yes. Exactly.

Sharon: ... and it's massive. It's huge, and it has this globe. It has this globe that

circles around it that says, "For the rest of the world," meaning pornography for the rest of the world. And we're the House of Prayer standing right opposite from it. Lou Engle came to our space and he just said, "You know, if I was here I would face that taunting thing that is taunting the Spirit of God,

and I would pray against it ...

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: "... and confront the Goliath," and so forth. But, you know, it's right across the

street from us. Not that we put any prayers against anything around us. We

didn't directly pray, "God, shut this down ..."

Doug: Right.

Sharon: "... shut that down, shut down this club," whatever. But after we had been

there for several months, just purely out of worshipping God, just purely releasing worship unto the Lord, lifting His Name up and He was just so jealous for that sound. He just began to come. It didn't take long, because on our street there's been so much music that has been dedicated to darkness.

Doug: Right.

Sharon: There's been so many bands. It's been known for sex, drugs and rock 'n roll

that literally, out of this place, the Lord just wanted, ... He's been jealous for a sound unto His Name. He's just been jealous and just waiting for the sound that would honor His Name and cry out to Him to say, "Jesus, we love You.

Let Your glory come. We love You ..."

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: "... We exalt You." And I think He was just waiting so much for just that cry to

be released, that as we just began to do it His presence just came. And on our street, one by one ... We didn't tell God to do it. You know, we didn't tell Him to do it, but clubs began to shut down one by one. One by one, just establishments that had been long entrenched in the region began to shut

down.

Doug: Wow.

Sharon:

And it just literally shocked reporters, journalists, and even the locals, the neighbors, etc. Like, "Wait a minute. What happened to that iconic club? What happened to that club?" and "It's been here for 25 years, 30 years? You know, it's a long sex, drugs and rock 'n roll place," etc. And we're like, "Ah, we didn't tell God to shut it down." But hey, you know, when His presence comes ...

Doug: Wow.

Sharon:

... He shifts the environment, He shifts the region, and He dictates what's supposed to be raised up and what needs to be demolished. In fact, the Hustler building—after a year and a half of us standing our ground and just asking God to pour out His Spirit on Hollywood and this immediate region—the Hustler building gave word that they were going to shut down. And they were, you know, they were going to move out and they were going to shut down. And, in fact this year, 2018, it is supposed to demolished. The building is going to be demolished.

Doug: Wow! Yes. Now, I thought it was interesting that you didn't pray against them

or anything like that.

Sharon: No.

Doug: You just prayed. You just prayed and worshipped the Lord.

Sharon: Yes, and I think that is the key. And people mistakenly, you know ... I guess it

might be offensive to some people that places are shutting down. That doesn't seem like a God thing. But, you know, we're not ... We're not asking God to shut down this place or shut down that place. You know, if He tells us to do it, we will do it. But we're just simply saying, "God, come. Come. Let Your presence invade. Let Your Holy Spirit come. Let Your Spirit dictate and just rule over this region. Drive out the darkness." And that's okay to pray.

Why not?

Doug: Exactly.

Sharon: We're supposed to take authority over our region and over the land that God

has called us to take possession of. One of the most interesting things that happened early on when we landed on the Sunset Strip is, you know, we've been asking God to shift the atmosphere. You know, "Pour out Your Spirit. Let the river flow in this place." And one day it was so funny. These ...

literally ... these pipes—they called it the 100-year-old pipe under the ground

of Sunset Boulevard—erupted ...

Doug: I remember.

Sharon: ... and it was ... I don't know if you remember this, but it was on the news.

And it was flowing through the streets of Sunset and Hollywood. It was literally like a river. It was news and the reporters came on, you know, on whatever channel news it was, and I remember this reporter saying, "Something is changing here on the Sunset Strip. It's literally like a river

flowing on this street."

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: As they were reporting these things and even as, you know, different

establishments are shutting down, they would report things with the words that say, "Something is changing on the Sunset Strip. The atmosphere is changing on the Sunset Strip." They are using our language in the most

natural way ...

Doug: Exactly. Yes.

Sharon: ... and I just find it amusing and funny. But, you know, we have the authority

to do it. And we need to do it.

Doug: Yes. Exactly. Now, was there a certain point where you realized that the

atmosphere was shifting?

Sharon: You could feel it. Because when we first arrived, especially on the Sunset

Strip in that neighborhood where there had been so much drugs and partying and the level of darkness, metal, you know, rock bands had played there ... The sound of that had been ruling in the environment. When we first landed

there and, literally, Cindy Jacobs prayed us into that street ...

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: ... and we found out that our building was formerly an adult entertainment

building.

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: It was once a porn house.

Doug: Uh-huh.

Sharon: So, from a porn house to a prayer house, you know? Get that. The level of

heaviness and oppression was tangible. You could feel it. You could feel it on your arms as you were walking by. I just felt this intimidation. I felt like, "What

am I doing here? What am I doing here? I don't know what I'm doing here. But, okay, I'm just going to go by faith." And then as we kept praying and praying. And just worshipping. Just really, honestly, more worshipping than just, than praying. Just releasing worship.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: Something shifted, and we could walk on the street. We felt it lift. We felt it lift. And different speakers we would invite in would say, "Wow!" upon their return the following year, or a few months, you know, after their first visit. They would be like, "Something's changed. It feels better. It feels lighter." And that's the description we would usually get—"It just feels lighter."

So that's the immediate difference that we felt in terms of something has shifted. But, you know, after that we started hearing testimonies of people who were working in the industry. Because when we first started at the House of Prayer, it was mostly just intercessors. But then God began to bring people from the industry to our House of Prayer. So, we started getting people who are actors, actresses, models, producers, musicians, artists.

Now they've, you know, they've kind of come and found our House of Prayer as their home, a safe haven. And they would tell us how difficult it was pre-House of Prayer days, you know, in terms of being in the industry. How difficult, how hard, how hard for them to even talk about God. How hard for them to even write music that was true to who they are. How hard it was for them to say "No," you know, to different parts. And now, you know, things have radically shifted.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: Radically shifted for them. And we believe that prayer has opened the way for them to be sons and daughters in the industry without succumbing to the atmosphere and compromise. We've just been praying and declaring, "God, raise up a new breed of sons and daughters."

I believe He's sending them from across the nation. Many of them are coming to Los Angeles with a dream for Hollywood, and not just to be famous. Not just, you know, to be known. But they are literally coming with a mandate to shift Hollywood and to make Jesus famous out of their talent and the creativity that God's given them. And this is the new breed that we're seeing and God is raising up right now. It is a radical breed.

And I believe that different ones, even hearing me today. Different ones who are hearing this podcast, Doug Addison's podcast today. I believe that if you're hearing this message, and you've been burning with a desire for

Hollywood and the heart and the passion, I believe you're one of them. You're one of them that God is raising up and training and preparing to be one who would be a consecrated one in this industry.

Doug:

Yes. I just affirm what you're saying. I tell you, we run into people now at the grocery store, you know, the people who say, "I just moved here," you know, "I moved to LA. I feel like God's doing something new. There's a shift happening right now." And there is. There's just something different going on. And I know this came though you guys sowing. There's an anointing on you. I just want you to know, you and Jonathan ... these guys have a breaker anointing.

Now, when we moved back to LA ... We had our ministry, we started in San Francisco, moved there in 2003 with InLight Connection. And we had to move away, because we didn't have the prayer covering. The House of Prayer wasn't here yet. We came in as an early forerunner, had to move away for a bit, and then when we came back in—when we moved back here in 2013—the Lord said, "I want you to go into Hollywood." I knew it was going to be rough on us ...

Sharon: Wow.

Doug: ... and, sure enough, I got sick when I got here. I just came out of a 4-year

affliction. And you guys were part of setting me free and helping us establish here, because I knew that I was not going to back down if ... The Lord told me not to back down. That's why I knew I wasn't going to back down. And we

were under it, like heavy, heavy ...

Sharon: Wow.

Doug: We were running our ministry out of our house. But we have an office in

Santa Maria and all that, but we were here ...

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: ... and there was a heavy oppression that was trying to come against me—

come against my mind, come against my family, the spirit of death came—and I reached out. We're part of the same organization, HIM (Harvest

International Ministries) ...

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: ... under Ché Ahn. And I reached out and I said, "You know, can someone

help me?" And they actually told us to call you two, Sharon and Jonathan, and you came over. I wasn't even at my house at the time, because I was so

sick I had to go to Arizona. I was in such a terrible condition. You guys came over. And we don't even own the land, but you took authority.

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: You prayed some prayers, took communion, got me on FaceTime, I think we

FaceTimed. I was really in bad shape in Arizona. You were in my living room

and you guys prayed, took authority, took communion. We all 3 came

together, like a cord of 3 strands is not easily broken.

Sharon: Yes. Amen.

Doug: I tell you, within 2 hours there was a shift in my life that led to my healing ...

Sharon: Come on.

Doug: ... and within 2 hours something broke ...

Sharon: Come on.

Doug: ... and you can see from a distance, from our house we can see the

Hollywood sign on a clear day. We're not in the heart of it.

Sharon: Wow.

Doug: We're still here though. But the Lord placed us on this high place, you know?

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: It's a high place, and we're here for a purpose. But you guys really ... you

helped encourage me and Linda, and helped restore us really to be able to

operate in the land.

Sharon: Wow.

Doug: So there's a breaker anointing over you and your husband. This is so

exciting.

Sharon: Amen.

Doug: Now, we're talking about shifting the spiritual atmosphere in a deep, dark

place. You know, here we are in Hollywood. But then there are people who are listening to us, you might, you know, you might be in Mayberry, you know, or someplace. You might be somewhere that isn't quite as what you might think is influential. But God wants to do something in your land, in your

town, in your house. And you can shift the spiritual atmosphere over yourself and, like I was saying, Sharon and Jonathan have this breaker anointing to do that.

Now, have you seen that happen over people?

Sharon:

Yes. Well, listen. This stuff is so real. I mean, even in the context of Hollywood. People don't realize that, you know, there are ruling principalities, if you will, or spirits that are ruling. There's just this, you know, heaviness that people can step into, be it Hollywood or your city, whatever it is. And sometimes people internalize it and just think, "Wow! I'm just feeling really awful. I'm feeling really depressed. I'm feeling really miserable." And they internalize that into saying that, you know, "That's dumb."

Sometimes we just don't realize that. But it's really the atmosphere, it's the city that you just stepped into. It's the environment that you come in contact with. It's the company that you work for. It's part of that region. And we shouldn't internalize it. We shouldn't take that on. And we need to learn to differentiate what is yours and what is external.

So, just learning to pray like, you know, "God, I take authority over these thoughts. These thoughts aren't mine to think. These are not from You, and I take authority and take every thought captive, just as the Word says." And just plead the blood of Jesus over you, because sometimes you're feeling things and it's really, honestly, it's just not yours to feel.

For example, we had a couple of interns coming to serve us in Hollywood and, you know, she just was completely depressed. The first few months, she just felt really awful. And it, honestly, it's kind of classic. A lot of people go through different things, but she had it more extreme. She was just really feeling very emotionally down and very oppressed. And many people do feel that. But, you know, I just said to her, I said, "You know, this is not yours. Let's just pray right now. Let's just lift it off. I'm going to welcome you into the city, and we're going to break off everything that you've taken on. You know, it's not yours to take on."

So we broke that off and, sure enough, she came out of that with clarity. It was almost, like, the first time she could even think clearly in our city. A lot of times it's just a simple prayer. It's just saying a simple prayer of God just, you know, "Free me from these thoughts, free me from what is external and it is not mine to take on. It's in the atmosphere and I just ... I release that back to You, God. It's not mine to take." So, sometimes it's just praying a simple prayer of release.

Doug:

All right. After doing this for a number of years, you shifted the atmosphere over yourself, and you shifted it over your family and your marriage, and over Hollywood. And then it went beyond that, and it started to go to the world, right?

Sharon:

Yes. We actually have an organization fighting human trafficking. It's called <u>Justice Speaks</u>. You know, a number of years ago the Lord just burned in my heart, His passion and His heart really for those who are trapped in exploitation, those who are trapped in human trafficking.

And one of the initial places that He took us to is Thailand. He connected us with a ministry there. And it has been ... Since 2010, since we've been going to Thailand every year. And we took what we started to do in Hollywood and Los Angeles, and we took it to the nations. We took it to Thailand and, honestly, we have seen more things happen there through prayer. And I would love to share just a few stories with you.

Doug: That would be great.

Sharon:

So, literally, as we came into Thailand back in 2010, there were so many women, there were so many girls, so many young people that we saw lining up on all sides of the streets as we were walking. We went to a place called Pattaya. And Pattaya is one of the most—literally—one of the most hotbeds for human trafficking. It is a destination for sex tourism, for people traveling from around the world. So, when we first got there it hit our hearts. No matter how much we were warned, no matter how much people were trying to tell us, you know, "This is probably what you will see." Like, it's different when you saw it, you know, when you see it with your very own eyes.

So, we were taken to this one street, it's called Walking Street. And Walking Street is notorious for human trafficking, the sale of girls and young people. And we walked there. You know, it was so heavy. I'm telling you, just the level of darkness and heaviness was just so tangible. And we decided we are going to take our worship team—we are going to take our guitar, our djembe, all of us—we are just going to walk up and down the street. And we're just going to release high praise and just worship Jesus on that street.

At that time, I believe we were the first group to have taken worship along that street. And when we did that street, it was so difficult that by the time we finished, we almost literally wanted to fall on the ground. We were so depleted of energy. It was so difficult, it was so hard. But my husband said, "Okay, get up. We're going to do it again." And I was like, "Oh, my God, he's so hard core." That's my husband Jonathan. So, you know, our team got back up, pulled on some more energy and we did that walk again. So we did it twice and we came back the next year.

We didn't really know what happened out of that. And the group that we were with, the ministry that we partnered with on the ground in Thailand, told us, you know, like, "Wow, your team did amazing! Your team did something really amazing, because about 25 percent of the sex tourism establishments, be it brothels or be it massage parlors and the bars, like shut down after you guys left."

Doug: Come on.

Sharon: And we're like, "What!" So, we were so encouraged that we've decided to do this every single year. We just began to walk and just release high praise, you know, the kind of praise that we're not just singing songs but high praise, you know, declarative praise of God's presence, of His light, of His power, of His majesty. And we, you know, pulling down strongholds and the prayers

and proclamations that we would declare.

So, as we are walking up and down a street every single year, little by little, you know, and that's how God does it. But little by little, the darkness is being driven out to the point where we just returned from Thailand about 4 weeks ago. We did our most recent prayer walk on that same street, and we were completely just shocked ...

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: ... at the change on that street. The people that work on the ground there, our Thai team, were telling us so many bars and so many clubs have shut down on that street. They're like, you know, they're gone. Because we looked around us and it's more or less restaurants now and it's totally different. It's not the same type of heaviness.

Doug: That's amazing.

Sharon: You know, it's incredible and it's ... Honestly, it is praise, it is high praise, just speaking praise, the praise of Jesus in any region. And I just believe that wherever we are, be it Los Angeles, be it Thailand, you know, Chicago, New York ... wherever our listeners are listening from right now or around the world, if there is a dark region ...

I want people to pay attention, too, because sometimes darkness likes to cluster around each other. For example, you know, even here in Los Angeles we would have little clusters of strip clubs. You know, there are little areas where there are pockets of strip clubs or pockets of darkness. And we just need to ask the Lord, you know, "Where are these places that You want me to pray at? Where is the place that You want me to take ground for You,

God?" Because we have been given authority to release His light in the regions that we live, in the regions that we're called to manifest His presence and His glory. And it's not okay for us to just assume that if it's dark, it's just supposed remain dark.

Doug: Exactly.

Sharon: God is looking for someone, He's looking for someone who will take the

responsibility of saying, "God, not on my watch." You know, I know human

trafficking exists, but not on my watch.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: You know, I know darkness exists, but not on my watch.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: I know drugs is rampant in my city ...

Doug: Come on.

Sharon: ... but not on my watch. I know gangs exist in my city, but not on my watch.

And whatever your assignment is, whatever our assignment is from the Lord, you know, we take it. We take it wherever that darkness is and we ask Him for the strategy. And we ask Him, "What do You want me to do with it?" For us it was, you know, the Lord just said, "Release high praise. Take the praise of My Name upon these streets." And we make proclamations and decrees, it's just like you said. And we're, you know, believing fully in the power of our words what we're releasing and the ground of where we're walking, and then also just knowing that every place that the sole of our feet tread belongs to us. You know, God has given us authority over it. So, with that kind of

mindset we're taking back ground.

Doug: Yes. Boy, this is so powerful. I want you to pray like an activation prayer over

our listeners. I want you ... just, everyone right now, just listen. Open your spirit right now. Open your heart and ask the Lord if there's an area of your life or an area of your city, church, business, whatever, that needs a

breakthrough.

Sharon: So, Father, I just come in agreement right now with Doug. And I just ask right

now for every son and daughter who is listening under the sound of our voice, God, I ask that You would release a mandate, release an assignment upon their hearts about what You have called them to do. Father, I pray that

You would open their eyes.

You're receiving it right now. I just see assignments being downloaded upon many of you.

Doug: Yes.

Sharon: Even right now, Father, I ask that, God, You would just activate their hearts, activate their hearts and release the measure of strength and wisdom and authority that they are ready to carry. Father, I ask that, God, we would take back our nation, we would take back our cities and, Lord, just release the grace and the vision and the strategies for each person to take back ground for You, God, in the name of Jesus.

Doug: Powerful. I come into agreement with that and also while the spiritual atmosphere is open, because it did shift, now, Lord, download the strategies, download those specific books from Heaven, the scrolls from Heaven, whatever is needed right now. Anything from the past is now going to be unearthed, anything that was not fulfilled. You know, there were assignments from your city, from your territory, somewhere around there. God is going to download those strategies to you right now, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sharon: Yes.

Doug: Wow. Well, thank you, Sharon, so much. Why don't you just tell us how we can follow you, get a hold of you. Do you guys have anything?

Sharon: Our ministry is called <u>Radiance International</u> and Doug mentioned, you mentioned earlier, <u>Hollywood House of Prayer</u>, and it is <u>RadianceInternational.org</u>. I guess my personal account for Facebook and also Instagram you can find me at Sharon Ngai. My last name is N-g-a-i.

Yes. I would encourage people to step up and support them. I mean, what they're doing right now is beyond what you can even imagine financially, first of all, and the people they're reaching. Follow them and follow what they're doing on the internet. If you're ever out in Hollywood, look them up on the internet, because you can come by and they have events and things like that. And I'm going to be doing something with them soon—that's what the Lord just said. So, it's going to be an exciting time. I am so proud of what you and Jonathan have been doing and partnering with the Holy Spirit. I'm excited to have you guys ... I'm alongside of you. You're the ones out on the frontline here in Hollywood. I'm so excited for what you're doing.

Sharon: Oh, Doug, I just want to say that you have pioneered the move in Hollywood and we're following you, and we're stepping on your shoulders of all that you have done, all that you have sown, all the prophetic evangelism, all the Spirit

of love that you have poured out upon the people here in our city, in Hollywood. We're standing on your shoulders and I just want to honor you. You're a father of faith, you're a father of love, you're a father of the Spirit. So, yes, thank you for what you have done.

Doug: Wow.

Sharon: We so honor you, Doug. It is our blessing to know you.

Doug: Yes. We just give it back to the Lord. We say, thank You, Lord.

Sharon: Amen.

Doug: I'm just excited for what's going to happen.

All right, everybody. It's been another exciting <u>Spirit Connection podcast</u>.

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