

Prophetic Word: Forget What Is Behind and Press Forward Doug Addison [Episode 166] February 3, 2021

Hey friends, Doug Addison! Welcome to *Spirit Connection*, February 3rd, 2021. We're rockin' and rollin' into the month of February. I've got a prophetic word that's gonna encourage you. Give you some strategies on how to pray.

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Lord, we just ask now, open the heavens over us. Let us hear Your voice. I pray for the encouragement that came to me when You gave me this prophetic word. (There was deep compassion and encouragement coming from the Lord.) I just wanna extend that out right now. We pray for an open Heaven, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Well, this month's prophetic word is called *Letting Go of the Past and Pressing Forward*. It's important right now. It's time to let go of the past and press on to what God's calling us to in 2021 and beyond. Philippians 3:13 is what I got, "But one thing I do is forgetting what is behind and straining forward for what is ahead, pressing on towards the goal, the prize for which God has called you heavenward in Christ Jesus." The Lord is saying right now to forget about the disappointments politically, the pain of 2020, the pandemic,

the mess, the violence. I mean, we still need to hold things accountable. Still need to do whatever we need to do. I'm not sayin' sweep anything under the rug. I'm saying for you personally, let go of these things. And don't get entangled in it to let it bring you down or swept into a torrent that the enemy's trying to do. We have work of the Kingdom to do, and the plan of the enemy right now is to distract you from this. The Lord is releasing plans and strategies for you, personally; for cities, nations, businesses, churches. And we need to get our eyes on the prize.

The Lord is calling us to rise above the swirl of confusion, fear, violence that's ruling the airways and the streets right now. The Lord's saying trust Him in this. Proverbs 3:5, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." When God does something new, it's sometimes outside of our current understanding, this is why we need to ask the Lord for wisdom and understanding. The Lord's making a way in the midst of this, but it will require moving forward in faith. Don't stop. Don't look back. Don't freak out. Don't break down or anything like that. Just keep moving forward because things are gonna become more clear in the month of March.

So right now, a new path is opening. I saw Psalm 16:11 being very significant, "You've made known to me the path of life; you fill me with joy in your presence with eternal pleasures at your right hand." Boy, that's a powerful verse! It's time to step into the joy of His presence. And in the midst of the storm, He might still be here. We need to step into these things. So watch for the path of the Lord to open to you over the next few months. But until then, stay on the path and stay moving forward.

And God is raising up a remnant. I heard this. Romans 11:5, "So too, at the present time, there is a remnant chosen by grace." In the midst of all the confusion and distractions in the world, the Lord is raising up a remnant of people who will hear His voice and run after the revelation that's being released right now. And watch for

strategic relationships to form in the midst of us. That's what the remnant looks like. Divine alliances will begin to form.

There's a major realignment happening to bring people together ... like-minded mission, moving forward in this. And so it's time to get- to stay focused on what is ahead. Forget about those things behind. And you know what? Just let this river—there's a river that will flow. If you just get in that river of flow. I'm seeing that right now. And as we do this, the Lord is releasing scrolls or books of instruction from Heaven. Hebrews 10:7, "So I said to you, 'God—I will be the One to go and do your will, to fulfill what is written of me in your Word!" And the Lord is releasing these spiritual instructions, books and scrolls, understandings, assignments about your greater calling, assignments about this season that's changing.

Right now we're shifting into a seasonal change. And it will come in the form of dreams and visions, prophetic words from the Lord. But it's important to fix your eyes on Jesus. Hebrews 12:1, "Therefore since we're surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders, all the sin that easily entangles us, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus the pioneer and the perfecter of our faith." I keep hearing that this is the same theme over and over. These are all different verses. It's the same thing ... is to step away from the arguments and disappointments and hurts of the past. And it's time to get that clear picture of what God is doing, and run the race that's ahead of us.

So here's how to pray. A good Bible verse right now to decree for this month is Psalm 16:11, "You've made known to me the pathway of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, eternal pleasures at your right hand."

Lord, open up the pathway right now. We pray that we can move out of this old season of the storm, and the pandemic and all the strange stuff. Fill us with joy

right now, and bring the presence, the power. Increase of authority over these attacks, in Jesus' name.

W-h-o-o! There's a powerful release of God's peace and power here right now. You just need to step into that flow, the river of the Holy Spirit, as opposed to the torrents of the world. So this is an exciting time to be alive. I wanna activate this prophetic word right now. This is a core of what I felt going on, and what the Lord keeps showing me.

So Lord, we activate this. That we would come together with like-minded people. That You would knit us together as one, even though some of us are separated because of the pandemic, or we're just now in a different season. So Lord, we pray that You would activate this to give us the strategies, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Well, I wanna talk a little bit more about the message I've been releasing, that we need to get solutions and strategies from the Lord to break through, financially. It appears that Satan is winning in the midst of the storm, but that's a lie! The Lord has not forgotten us! He's not forgotten you. It's time to step up and be a blessing in the midst of the turmoil of the storm. And I've been saying this a lot, but this is the season now to step into this. Get this in your spirit. The storehouses need to be replenished. The Lord is opening the storehouses of Heaven! Deuteronomy 28:12, "The Lord will open His good treasure from Heaven to give the rain on your land in the season, and to bless the works of your hands. You shall lend to many nations, and you shall not borrow." How good is that? You know? Bring that, Lord!

The storehouses on Earth have been emptied and have been very depleted because of the pandemic, superstorms, fires, floods, all the stuff happening. But the storehouse in Heaven, the storehouses are filled! And the Lord's now releasing financial ideas and blessings, strategies and solutions to help the hurting world, to prepare us for revival at all different levels. And so, God is still in control. God owns everything. You ever hear

that? I love this. Don't worry! You know? He owns it all. Psalm 24:1, "The Earth is the Lord's and everything in it; the world and all that live in it." And then Psalm 50:10, "For every animal of the forest is mine,' says the Lord, 'and the cattle on a thousand hills is mine." Wow! You know, the Lord owns it all. Even the cattle. Here's my prayer. Let's come into agreement. "Hey Lord! Sell a cow and send some cash! Sell a cow!" He owns the cattle on a thousand hills. Sell a cow and send some cash! See, that would be a strategy. In the event you don't have any cattle, you know, then maybe we need to find different ways to generate finances or businesspeople. Now, what I mean by this at all levels, meaning you don't have to be a business person to do this. You know, it could be for stay-at-home people or whatever level, you're gonna see this open up.

But the first thing we need to do to prepare is to get ready so that the blessings can flow. We need to break the spirit of poverty. There's a book called ... (the author, let's see—a Jewish Rabbi, Daniel Lapin) from the book, *Thou Shall Prosper: Ten Commandments for Making Money*. He said, "What I [don't] understand about Christians is not the Messiah part, it's the poverty part." He said that, "As Jews, we believe that financial blessing is worship. And traditionally, Jewish people do not have a problem with gaining power to get wealth." Now that was, I think he was on a podcast talking about it. Maybe Dave Ramsey or something. But it was a powerful word! And it's changed my life, really. I heard that a long time ago. But we gotta deal with that spirit of poverty.

For me personally, I had to do that to minister here in Hollywood. You know, I had to let go of the things, you know that we're here in L.A. and the seven mountains. I minister in the arts and entertainment industry. So I had to balance this out. I had to let go of the spirit of poverty, and get healed of those things. At the same time, you need to get healed of the spirit that Jesus called *mammon*. It was a spirit of making [their] God—money. It's also the spirit of pride and greed. So on one side, we need to break that spirit of pride, greed and mammon. And the other side would be to break the spirit of poverty. Too far on one side, too far on the other. We need to balance this down the

middle, and to receive an increase for the purposes of helping the hurting world. And I just wanna break that right now with just a prayer, right now.

Lord, break it off! Break off the spirit of poverty where we would not be able to make money at all to do anything and feel guilty about it. Also, break off the spirit of pride, greed and mammon, the spirit of this world, in Jesus' name. Bring the balance we need.

Now there's an anointing coming right now. There's power coming. It's the prophetic entrepreneurial anointing or the Joseph anointing. Now in Genesis 37–50, Joseph was the son of Jacob (who was Israel). And he had a prophetic entrepreneurial anointing. He had this on him. He was a dream interpreter. He understood things. He gave business insight that helped Egypt at the time. In Genesis 41, Pharaoh, an ungodly king, by the way, was an ungodly king. He had a dream that Joseph interpreted. And he interpreted the dream, and he gave a strategy on how they could be blessed for, you know, save up for the seven years that was happening of plenty, and then seven years of famine was coming. That was the dream. Then they would be able to bless the entire world. This is exactly what happened. He was really the first Joseph anointing ('cause he was Joseph, by the way, that's why people call it that).

But today, we need it. Both male and female can operate in this. Prophetic consultation. You can be a blessing to bless others. You could be a witness of God's power. You know, it could be in the church, in the government, it could be anything! You know, you see these kids on TV right now, or online, where they've raised thousands of dollars for causes. That's what I mean! It can happen at every level. You don't have to be a business person. God is gonna open up ways for people. Even if you're on a fixed income. Maybe you need some extra money to do something. Make a little bit here and there, or a lot. Whatever.

The new opportunities to make money to help others is here. I call this being willing to be bi-vocational. That's having more than one job. And maybe your job is whatever you do full-time, you know, with your time. You can be retired. That's your job. You can be a stay-at-home mom or dad. That's your job. But you can actually do side jobs or side businesses in your spare time. I've done this most of my adult life. Every time I've needed something to get a breakthrough, I would start doing the side jobs. I worked my regular job, and I'd start doing those side jobs, and then put that money towards something that I needed. In Acts 18:3, Paul was a tentmaker. And he stayed and worked with them in the midst of it. Now, that's because Paul was not based in the church. He was door-to-door. He was city-to-city. And he traveled. He paid his own way to preach the Gospel. Well, that doesn't mean that we have to do that. You can still draw a salary. It's okay to do that. In fact, it's very godly. It's very biblical to do it. You just don't wanna fall into the spirit of mammon in the midst of it. But we *do* need a vehicle for the Lord to funnel blessings through.

Now back in 1991, I had ... I got off of drugs back in the late '80s, and I'd come to Jesus. When I first came to Jesus for the third time, you know, and I was in my 30s. I knew in '91, I said I know I have this ministry call. I need to get there. So in 1992, I started fixing computers for people in my church, to help them, really. I wanted to learn. I liked it. I was just so fascinated with computers. It wasn't my corporate job at that time, but this allowed me to leave my corporate job and pursue ministry training. My ministry training turned out to be business training—combined! And so the Lord used this business to funnel or to be the vehicle to bless us. And so, my computer consulting business, you know, was "tent making." And I tell ya, I used to kind of despise ... I wasn't happy about having to be a tentmaker. I was always complaining. It's called intercession to the Lord, but I tell you, the Lord blessed us richly when we did it. When we sold the business, several times probably, we did different things. I was able to still work in the midst of that. And we were able to transition and use this transition 20 years ago to start InLight Connection.

Now, that's my story. An entrepreneurial prophetic anointing. And so, I wanna help you. And again, I used to complain all the time about having to work both. But this is really the power. And it wasn't until I really settled down into it and stopped complaining that the Lord really started to bless us. I started to recognize, "Oh, it's seasonal!" It'll come in like the tide, and it'll come back out. It was seasonal. Whenever we needed something, there would always be a side job or an understanding into it. The Lord was always there. So you'll need to make some extra money. And it's important to not become a victim in the middle of everything that you're doing right now. You can do projects on the side. My first business, besides the ones I had when I was a kid, my first one in my 20s was ... I think I made résumés. Yeah, I needed extra money to pay for some ... I never could make it to Bible college or anything like that, so I did some correspondence courses and some study books and things like that back in the 80s. And in the 1980s and early '90s, I didn't have the extra money to do it. So I did these jobs. I started doing résumés, put the money towards some training.

Don't be a victim! And you know, also, maybe if you've lost your job or you're in debt, don't be a victim right now. Find a way at whatever level God has for you right now. This is an exciting time. There are new opportunities. Radical change is here. And the Joseph and Josephines in the business world. Again, you don't have to be a business person. The kid on YouTube who raised all the money to help the people in the pandemic is operating in this. Or maybe you need some extra stuff or extra cash. Or maybe it's a higher level that you're part of this Joseph ... You know you're part of it. We need to ask the Lord for solutions. And Proverbs 8:34, "Blessed are those who listen to me, watch daily at my door, waiting at my doorway."

Yes, Lord, we pray for those business strategies. The anointing for this. We pray, Lord, that You would open the doors, financially, and opportunities. We pray that we'd be able to get out of debt, that we'd be able to develop the lifestyle of giving. And still spending, but spending in moderation. And making more income and spending less, if possible. We don't wanna all stop spending.

It'll crash the economy. But being a blessing in the midst of this. And so we pray that You would allow us to do that. We pray that You would open the doors.

Give us the ideas. Speak to us right now, in Jesus' name. Amen!

Well, I'm excited for what's coming. We're doing, right now, a special. It's a 49-day to change your life. It's a 7-week interactive breakthrough mentoring experience called *Kingdom Financial Solutions*. I've never done one on finances like this. But each time this year for the last three years, I've done this where we do the 49 days to change your life. And it's very powerful. This year I feel like we need to raise up those Joseph People.

And so the *Kingdom Financial Solutions*, this is a breakthrough mentoring experience. In other words, it's online. Some of the sessions are live webinars, Q&A. We send you 7 sessions (every Monday), some of them are pre-recorded, but they have strategic activation exercises. Then, this is what makes it powerful—You go online into our private mentoring portal. This is a membership website with only the people who are part of the class. Then you interact with the other people who are going through it and with my Coaches. And I pop in on occasionally, as well.

So in other words, you have interaction with us. We're not just sending you a video course. This is why it's a breakthrough mentoring experience. I've done this a lot. I know that using these different avenues to do it, you know, these mediums. So each week when you get each session, you can download the audio and listen to it all week. Get it in your spirit. You can do the exercises. You can go on the website. Get people praying, ask questions and interact with us. It's powerful!

So, it's regularly \$197, but we're doing a pandemic special—\$97 for 7 weeks. That is unbelievable! Or you can make 2 payments of \$50. Go to DougAddison.com/Solutions. And boy, I tell ya that there is gonna be a lot come out of this. People have been asking me to do the Joseph anointing group. I think something may come after this. This is a

start to that. But something may come after that. I'm not sure about that. But I'm excited for what is happening right now. So DougAddison.com/Solutions.

Also, consider giving to us. We're an online community. If you don't have a church, people consider us their church. So, you can go to DougAddison.com/Give. You can make a donation; you can become a Partner with us where you give any amount each month. You can join our online community. We have the same type of thing. We have a Facebook Live ... Facebook group. We have a Partner Coach who's there to pray with you each week. And you get invited to my Monthly Mentoring Session. That's a live Zoom. We prophesy over you. It is church, folks. And you just have to become a Partner. DougAddison.com/Give. We're so grateful for our Partners who, in the midst of the pandemic, have been amazing!

And I just love what God is doing right now. I'm so excited. It's good to be around likeminded people when we come together. You can still have community online. And you can still go to your own church if that's cool, that's fine. But anyway, w-h-o-o-o, there's a powerful anointing flowing right now over everything.

All right, I wanna take some time and do some Q&A. These are questions that come in. We gather these from ... You can actually put in your questions. I forgot to say it at the beginning. If you're joining us online, our team is online. You chat in your questions. And maybe you're watching this on Facebook or YouTube. You can chat in your questions, and we do our best to answer them.

Here's a few questions that pertain to what's going on right now. Amy asks, "How do I give to others when I'm barely making it myself. I'm a mom of two. I know I'm supposed to give back, but I can barely survive, myself."

Well, bless you Amy. Yes, I know! And here's what I recommend. Giving is a gateway. And I'm not gonna do an offering into this- I'm not an offering-based, you know,

message. Which is okay. I believe that there's times when there is power in giving into a message. And I just really believe this. That giving is a gateway. And it needs to be done, like if you can't do it, that's fine. Maybe find a way to give 1%. Maybe make a deal with the Lord. Say, all right, I'm gonna give \$10. You know, we have some of our Partners that have been giving \$5 a month, and they are the "widow's mite." I tell you, they are faithful. And their \$5 is just as great as \$5,000 in the Lord's eyes. Same with you, Amy. Just give into something, and start to stay and ask the Lord to show you why it is that you're only surviving. That you're not thriving. And it just could be the season that we're in. We are in a hard season and many people are like you. So, that's my advice.

Dina says, "I started a business that I believe was from the Lord. And then after six years, I'm covering my monthly expenses, but I have nothing left over to sow back in to buying more goods."

Well I prayed about this, and chose your question because there's some people who have businesses, and you're not getting your breakthrough. In this case, you have your "vehicle." What you need is some new insight into marketing. And maybe you need to market online. I don't know what your goods are. But maybe there's some online marketing. *Guerilla Marketing*. Remember the book? I read the book years ago, *Guerilla Marketing*. Where you just go and do things. So if you don't have, you know, a downloadable or some internet-based thing, then you can go put some flyers up in the grocery stores. Find ways. Post out there. Like there's things that you can do. You can advertise in different places everywhere, all over the internet about what you do. So in other words, I felt like God's saying, "Dina, you and many other people, you need a boost." You heard the Lord right. You just need a boost into some new ways of marketing.

Now along those same ways, Edwin asks a question about YouTube marketing. And he said, "I've been thinking about using YouTube videos to earn advertising revenue.

How do I discern what strategy from the Lord to do? You know, should I do this, or am I just thinking it's a good idea?"

Well, try it out. That's how you do that, Edwin. You try something out. And I think this is a great idea! Hey, everybody, have you ever gone out there and say, man, my sink is plugged up or you know, I need to install a shower filter. And you go on YouTube, and my goodness, there's someone who just did it for ya, right? You know why they do that? Well, one is to help people. But many of them, they have YouTube advertising revenue attached to those videos. So every time that someone views that video, you get a percentage. You get percentage back in advertising. And you can do a lot of these videos! I think you should try it, Edwin. It's a great idea. Now some people could do ... you know, maybe you could do cooking videos. Do different things and click on the advertising.

For me personally, as my ministry, DougAddison.com, I'm on YouTube, I don't do it. If I was a business, I would! But because I am "Spiritual & Religious," so I don't like some of the advertisements that would come up. So we could make a lot of money! Because we have a lot of traffic. But I don't do that. But I'm not judging anybody that does. I think it's a great idea, and I think other people are getting the idea, as well.

All right, this one's from Eddie. "I strongly sense that I am being led to start a business. But when I first began online, I did not have a website or an online carrier. So what did you use?" He's asking me.

Well, this is a good one, Eddie. Because, you know, I was a web designer, so it helped. But you might not be. So I would recommend just don't pay a lot of money! My goodness, don't go pay thousands for a website that you don't even have your product in place yet. Go out and do what I did on some of my early stuff is ... Wix.com. Weebly.com. SquareSpace. These are website builders. They're very inexpensive. You don't have to be a designer. They can get you a website up in one day, then you can

advertise. I've used them. My website, though, you asked me what I use. I use WordPress, and I've done it over the years. Now we, of course, have a full team and everything. But we use WordPress. But I have done SquareSpace.com on- like if I ... I did a book launch, you know, or something like that. I do use those. So give that a try, Eddie and others who need something, and to get it up there quick.

Here's one from Ross, "We increased our tithes and offerings year after year, but we don't see a financial breakthrough. So we practically live paycheck to paycheck, and our debt doesn't seem to be decreasing. So what am I missing?"

All right! Here's the thing. You're doing the right thing, so you need a breakthrough in this area. And I think there might be a generational type of thing that's coming against you. And so, I would go and look up some of the prayers, there's generational curse prayers that you can pray. And one of them I think is *Opening the Windows of Heaven Over Your Finances*, it's something like that. <u>AslansPlace.com</u> has a lot of free ones. But you wanna just look into that. Or book a session with them or with someone else who can pray with you through this and break off that generational stuff that might be coming against you.

All right! Hey! It's been a great, great time with you all. Be sure to look at my <u>Kingdom</u> <u>Financial Solutions</u> online mentoring. <u>DougAddison.com/Solutions</u>. I'm excited for what's coming!

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