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Prophecy over Melbourne – Graham Cooke

FOREWORD - Paul Lee

Dearly Beloved,

In this issue of **Angelos**, we are circulating a recent prophecy over Melbourne by Graham Cooke, a renowned prophetic ministry who ministers regularly at Christian City Church Whitehorse (CCCW). This prophecy excerpt is released verbatim from CCCW, with the kind permission of Ps. Peter McHugh (Senior Minister of CCCW).

CCCW is also hosting a special Pastors & Leaders day with Graham Cooke on 8th May to process this prophetic word. Special registration is required. Any pastor/leader who may be interested should contact CCCW directly on (03) 9837 2900.

We have been experiencing some technical difficulties with our email list. Our apologies if you have not received our last issue (26 Feb) - entitled "**God of Our Sufferings – Victorian Bush Fire Crisis**". You can read it from our website (www.hopeofglory.com.au) or click the following direct link ([http://www.hopeofglory.com.au/html/EMAIL_LIST/God%20of%20Our%20Sufferings%20-%20Victorian%20Bush%20Fire%20Aftermath%20\(Angelos%20Email%20List%20-%20web%20version\)\(2-09\).htm](http://www.hopeofglory.com.au/html/EMAIL_LIST/God%20of%20Our%20Sufferings%20-%20Victorian%20Bush%20Fire%20Aftermath%20(Angelos%20Email%20List%20-%20web%20version)(2-09).htm))

Blessings in Jesus,

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Graham Cooke's Prophecy over Melbourne

(Selected sections of Conference Session 5)

Nov 2008 at CCCW

We are going to see moves of God unprecedented throughout the earth, and we are seeing something begin in Melbourne. The awakening has begun!

I believe it will get to a place in Melbourne... a window will open over Melbourne... and **we will start to pull down things out of heaven.** What's happening right now - we are in the season - the water levels up to our own cause. **We are needing to deliberately make decisions to walk deliberately forward into a move of the Spirit.**

We need to start preparing for the way of the Lord right now. We need to start getting together. We need to start praying. We need to start worshipping. We need to start planning. We need to start training people, for a move of God unprecented in this church's history. We need to come to a place where the Lord is speaking to us about things that are unprecedented and we are able to hear - outrageous things.

You know that heaven is outrageous. Read the Bible, it's a book about God being relentlessly outrageous. We are going to see weird things happen. Listen, **God has called you to do weird.** He has not called you to be weird. He has called you to do strange and wonderful things - things that are signs and wonders. Things that make people scratch their head, and think 'What was that? I don't understand that.' **You don't have to understand everything from God, but you do have to receive it.** How many of us really understood salvation before we received it? None of us understood salvation, we didn't understand everything. We just knew that we needed God. And so someone came and presented us the gospel, and we didn't understand everything, but we still put our hand up and said 'I want that.'

We are in those times, a move of God, unprecedented, in this city's history. Churches coming together, we are going to see the map of the city redrawn spiritually. We are going to see people who live in an area, evangelising that area. And it won't matter what church you come from. **We are going to see the end of turf wars. We are going to see unprecedented cooperation, and the incredible things is we are going to see leaders - men and women of God, just broken by the love, and the beauty and the joy of the Lord.** Just lay ways, lay open to the majesty and the sovereignty of heaven, and coming and saying **'I want to give this up, I want to lay this down at the feet of Jesus. I want to give back to God that which belongs to Him.'**

And the Lord is going to redraw the map of the city. And we are going to find house to house, street to street, moves of God. We are going to get Christian neighbours coming together and just moving down their street and seeing signs and wonders, it'll be unprecedented. It is not going to be a move of God that's led by superstars. **It will be nameless, faceless generation of people getting out there on the street,** and no one is able to highjack it. **It's a move of God at grassroots' level.**

The water level is rising. The water level is rising, and **there is a place of surrender in all of that - where we are surrendering to the love, and the majesty, to the beauty and sovereignty of God. So there is an intimacy that is going to come into the city.** The love of God is shed on the streets, the peace of God coming on the city. There is a prosperity coming to the city that will bug the national trend.

Strange things, weird things, wonderful things, outrageous things are just the Kingdom coming down, God prospering us, and God blessing us, and God favouring us. I believe it all my heart that the gospel is so astonishingly brilliant it's almost too good to be true. I believe the love and the grace and the favour of God is so majestic it brought us on fantasy. Eph 3:20 says that God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that you ask or think. What is beyond thinking? That will be imagination. The whole reason that you have an imagination is 'cos your brain cannot cope with who God is, but your imagination can. That's why God speaks to us in dreams and visions. Why? 'cos it's the language of imagination. We're going to see God fulfilling His own dreams. And many of you have been having dreams recently about signs and wonders, about the Holy Spirit moving in your neighbourhood, even your places of work.

We are going to see the whole business community take a step up into a different anointing. We are going to see a prosperity. We are going to see businesses come to the city. We are going to businesses here expand, we are going to see astonishing things.

It will be talked about government, 'What's happening in Victoria? What is happening in Melbourne? What's going on?' And the guys here are going to say if you want to know what's going on, **you need to talk to the church leaders. All we know is something's happening in the church that's affecting the city for good. And the church leaders are going to say, 'It's the Kingdom being visited upon us.'**

You are armed with blessings right now. It's time to move out and go to a deeper place still. It's time to sit down before the Lord and just ask, 'What's beyond thinking? What's the abundance that's beyond thinking?' And many of you are going to dreams and have visions.

It's time for Australia. It's time for a true Australian church to rise up, not an Americanised version, but your own church to rise up - Aussie style. It's time for Australia to have one of your own. **God is doing something here unprecedented in your history. It's simply your day and it's your time, and you must make the most of it.** This is the day of the Lord. This is the season of God. We are in an outrageous time and the move of God. It's the

stuff of dreams. It's really important that everybody in this room, somehow somehow gets in touch with the dreams that God has for you.

Think of Israel for a moment, where they were in captivity in Egypt 400 years, where your family has become institutionalised under oppression and slavery.

You are the great, great grandson of the slave yourself, and your son and his children are slaves also. What do you dream about? You don't dream about freedom 'cos you've never had it. You dream about survival 'cos that's all you've got. Your dream extends to: 'I want to eat 2 meals one day this week. I'd like not to get beaten this week. I like my daughter's ribs not to stick through her skin.' You dream about survival.

And all the time when Israelites are crying out to God for life, He has a dream for them. They are dreaming about surviving. He is dreaming about giving them houses they didn't build. He is dreaming about giving them vineyards they didn't plant. He is dreaming about giving them wells they never had to dig. **Dreams of God for you are far greater than the ones you have for yourself, and you are the one that needs to change.**

It's time for every one of us in this room to be restored to dreaming. Because it's a part of God's nature. It's a part of God's abundance, and part of your inheritance. You cannot get it unless you imagine it, unless you dream it. The Bible is a book about dreams. God encourages us to dream. He makes us dreamers. He speaks to us in dreams and visions. Why? Because it's a language beyond logic. God is not reasonable. He is not rational. He is not logical. Read the Bible. Most of the things He did in the Bible are beyond logic and reason. In fact the only time He reasons is when you sin. The rest of time He says 'don't lean on your own understanding - trust in the Lord with all your heart. Don't lean on your own understanding me. Trust me.' He is a dreamer. He is a visionary. **The only way you can live successfully in God is to dream and have a vision for your own life that you follow.** Something beyond logic, something beyond reason, a move of God beyond dreaming.

God will lead you in ways unprecedented in your experience. This is the day, this is the hour that we are living in. Whatever you've learned about God, whatever you've learned about church, whatever you've learned about the ways of God has not prepared you for what God is about to do. He is doing a new thing. He ain't gonna do it the old way. **It is a nameless, faceless generation of people, ordinary men and women of God becoming extraordinary because of the move of God upon their lives. God's doing a new thing.** There is nothing to be learned from old revival. Those people who say that is old tradition is like. God is going to laugh and say, 'Don't consider the things of old. I am doing it a new way. I am doing a new thing. And now you'll see it.' It's a great awakening. It's a move of God unprecedented.

What will be fascinating will be that leaders and churches will get together and dream. Leaders will say, 'I had a dream last night.' And they will be sharing and calling each other. All these dreams will connect. And suddenly you'll find yourself realising that **God is giving you some kind of plan and strategy. Although it doesn't make any sense you will follow it, and you will pursue it, and you will end up in something marvellous.** These are fascinating, fabulous days.

Don't think the enemy is going to be silent or quiet. He's going to come after you, but that's the good news. We are living again in the clash between two Kingdoms. The enemy is going to contest the ground. Bad news for him is that he is going to lose anyway, but he is going to have to contest the ground. This is where we triumph. We triumph in the fight. We are fighting a good fight. A good fight is one that you don't lose. **There'll be a fight for Melbourne for sure.** We are overcomers. We are more than conquerors, but you only prove that in the day of trouble. We are going to have some days of trouble. You should rejoice about that. We are going to have some days of trouble. But you can't have days of trouble without troubling the enemy. The enemy comes to trouble you and you trouble him with the trouble that he is trying to trouble you with. (There you go!). We get the opportunity to turn the tables on the enemy. That's what we are learning right now. We are going to turn the tables on the enemy. Anything he meant for evil God is going to turn it for good.

We are going to learn how to stand. We are going to learn how to fight for the city. We are going to fight in a new way, because the promise of God upon us is the awakening has begun. As we stand together, as we walk together, as we cooperate together in unprecedented ways, a window will open in heaven. We can pray that window will open. We are going to have permission. The Lord is going to say, "you come together with one heart and one voice in the city. When you pray that window will open. We are going to see an eldership in

the city raised up, with oversight. We get to declare what comes into Melbourne, and what doesn't. We also get to declare what has to leave. This move of God will be unprecedented, unparalleled.

===== END – PROPHECY by Graham Cooke =====

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