

# more

*40 days of experiencing  
more of the Spirit*

# #4

*These questions have been written for personal reflection and group discussion to accompany Chapters 6-7 of the book MORE, in conjunction with the following message by Alan Kraft ...*

## ***Hearing the Spirit for Others***

**1 Corinthians 14:1-3**

*Please take the time to review your notes from the message and respond to the following questions before going to your group.*



### **Breaking the Ice**

Describe a time when you were in a foreign country and couldn't speak the language. Was it funny? Frustrating? Humbling?

How did you wind up working through these language barriers?



### ***Briefly, in just a couple of minutes ...***

Read aloud 1 Corinthians 14:1-3 and look back at your notes from this week's teaching. Was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or spoke to you personally? Did it raise any questions or create any push-back for you?

If you read Chapters 6-7 in the book More, how did your reading complement and deepen your understanding of this week's theme?



## Exploring God's Word

*Don't feel pressured to answer every question.*

In his message, Alan Kraft talked about someone who had a specific picture come to mind when they were praying for him, and it served as a source of encouragement for him in his leadership.

Has anything like this ever happened to you? If so, describe the experience and what it was like for you at the time. How about now, looking back?

Prior to hearing this message, what would you think of when you'd hear the word "prophecy?"

In the message, Alan defined prophecy as, "the communication of something God spontaneously brings to our awareness, resulting in a person being strengthened, encouraged, or comforted."

How is this definition different than and/or similar to your previous understanding of prophecy?

Read aloud 1 Thessalonians 5:19-22, and discuss your observations of these verses.

How do these verses build upon what we learned in last week's message about listening to the Spirit?

How do they impact your attitude and approach toward prophetic words? Explain.

Can every Christian prophesy?

According to Acts 2:17-18, how would Peter answer that question?

According to 1 Corinthians 14:1, how would Paul answer that question?

In what ways could prophecy easily open up a door to pride and arrogance in our own hearts?

In light of this, how can we maintain humility in exercising this ministry? In answering this question, you might refer to 1 Corinthians 13:2, 4-7.

In this message, we learned that there are three steps involved in praying prophetically for another person ...

#1 Be attentive to the Spirit. Quiet your heart and listen to the Holy Spirit.

#2 Release to another person what you're hearing, seeing, or sensing. And if you feel like you know the meaning of it, share that as well.

#3 Pray into whatever you have seen or heard. After you have shared whatever you feel God has brought to your mind, take a moment and pray into that.

Spend a few minutes reviewing what each of these steps involve, why each is important, and any thoughts you might have about doing these well in a humble, loving way.



## **Making It Real**

As the application of this week's focus, if you're processing this message in a group setting, we'd like to encourage you to practice praying prophetically as a part of your group.

Have one person sit in the center of the group. Take 5-7 minutes, and as you are listening to the Spirit for this person, speak out what you are hearing/seeing/ sensing. It could be a word, a portion of Scripture, a picture, etc. Release it to them lovingly and humbly. If comfortable doing so, pray into it.

Not everyone is going to have something to share. No pressure. After doing this, debrief the experience both with the group and the person being prayed for. If there is time, have other people experience the same thing.