

Graham Cooke's Steps to Study Your Prophetic Words

1. For devotional purposes: write the prophecy into short paragraphs so that you can read it to pray and give thanks.
2. For study purposes: rewrite into bullet points, no more than one sentence in length. Group in themes if possible. Double space between sentences.
3. Make a note of the number of times certain words or phrases are repeated.
4. Make a note of key descriptive words and study them.
5. Additional meaning is usually hidden in the sub-text. As you begin to study key words and phrases, you will receive more revelation. Journal your thoughts.
6. As you study, faith will begin to rise and your excitement will increase. Some time later, it is possible that lethargy and insecurity will come over you also. This is normal and not demonic. Prophecy builds faith and faith is always attacked by lethargy (a mild form of unbelief). The up side is where God is taking you. The down side shows where you've been living. (*The CD "Living on a Higher Place" covers much of this journey*).
7. To translate inadequacy into vulnerability is just a matter of faith over grace. Faith over grace equals vulnerability and peace.
8. Meditate on the word and study it. Write down the scriptures you connect with the prophetic word and study them also.
9. Find a *large* piece of paper. Fix the word in the middle and write your thoughts around it using arrows drawn to the text. Use the bullet points of the prophecy - *not* the original or devotional versions.
10. Are there specific promises in the text? Are there any personal pronouns from God to you? These signify absolute intention.
11. Close your eyes and meditate. Use your imagination to dream about the future. Imagine the prophecy fulfilled. What do you look like? How do you feel? What happened in you as you imagined those scenes? Journal your thoughts.
12. What kind of person must you become in order to do those things? (re: faith, character, personality, persona) (*The CD "Maintaining Our Inner Compass" supports this development process*).

Following this process through to its conclusion should enable you to discover the intentionality of God. The Holy Spirit is now working to make you just as intentional and inherit the *fullness* of your destiny.