

## To the Gateway family

I was listening to a testimony the other day and often we don't remember all the details only those parts that stand out for us, or those areas that God seems to impress into our minds. One of the things that impacted me in listening to the testimony was how God often repeats himself to get our attention, time and time again saying the same thing. Nicky Gumbel on the Alpha course tells of a situation where he is asking a question but God has to answer and confirm countless times before the penny drops! Praise God that HE is so graciously patient with us, when we don't listen.

My dad is full of 'wee' phrases and sayings, maybe that's why I've so many myself..... the apple doesn't fall too far from the tree! One of my dad's sayings is "God's capacity to talk to us is far greater than our capacity to listen".

Someone was asking me the other day about the wildlife we encountered in the Amazon, specifically Maues. Fundamentally we didn't meet too many exotic animals in Maues, the reason being a simple one, the wildlife, the animals don't like the noise of the people ..... motorbikes, loud music, shouting or even the massive caterpillar diesel generators that worked round the clock to provide electricity to the inhabitants of Maues, most of whom were oblivious to the noises around them! We call it background noise..... it is the same for those living on a flight path, after a while they don't hear the planes overhead!

But as Christians it is so important that we learn to come away, come away from the noise and often that noise is the background noise in our very own heads.

I mentioned the other day in church that everywhere I turned, the passage of Peter walking on water kept on coming up! I was talking about stepping out of the boat, walking being natural but the miracle being that Peter didn't sink, the fact that we are called to walk in the supernatural.

Today I felt prompted to go back over the prophetic word from David and Greta and what did I find!

*"The 2020s is also an age of supernatural wonders, a time when signs, wonders and miracles will accompany those who believe in Jesus. In the turbulence of intensified storms Jesus intends us to walk on water like Peter did – walk on water has been coming really strongly for months and walk on water means do the impossible. It will be a wild, stormy sea with strong winds and big waves but Jesus says, 'don't be afraid, take courage, I am here.' Listen for His voice when He says, 'Come' and have faith. I feel that the verse for 2021, is Matthew 21:21 where Jesus says, 'if you have faith you can do things like this and much more.' These really are the greatest days ahead for God's Church."*

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**WOW** – it is no coincidence that God keeps on saying the same thing time and time again. It is important to not only hear what God is saying but to apply what God is saying.

God is calling the church to rise up and walk according to His word – we call that faith! We are being called to continue in faith, grow in faith or renew our faith – but without a shadow of a doubt God is calling His church to walk in faith, the same faith by which we received Jesus as Lord and Saviour, the same faith we were or will be Baptised in the Holy Spirit. God is calling us to stand firm in our faith, He knows what is coming.

God is calling the church to move in faith, walk in the supernatural, expect the supernatural, believe that He can do the impossible!

God is calling the church to walk in step with His Holy Spirit.

### Galatians 5:22-26 NKJV

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another."*

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