

“The Roaring 20s”

By McKade Marshall

If you are going through a tough time today, I want to encourage you to keep moving forward. This year, 2020, may go down as one of the most challenging years in our recent history. All over the world people have been impacted by COVID-19. Small businesses have been forced to shut down, then partially reopen. Others have gone bankrupt. Parents have had to keep their children at home and teach via virtual learning. Social distancing, shelter-in-place orders, and mandatory masks have become the new norm. Beyond the global virus, civil unrest and political strife have escalated preceding the major upcoming US presidential election. The reasons to be down and depressed right now concerning the current state of our world abound.

The good news is better days are coming.

As I have prayed about what the upcoming decade might look like, I feel in my spirit the Lord showing me unlimited opportunities for the Church to break out of bondages and see new levels of spiritual revival and increase like we've never seen before. I believe the 2020s is going to parallel The Roaring Twenties just a century ago. The Roaring Twenties of the 1900s was characterized as a decade of widespread prosperity and economic growth. As the United States began to recover from the devastation of World War I, an economic boom in construction and rapid growth of consumer goods took place. In the same way, I believe we are entering a new decade not quite like anything we have ever seen before.

When the Church begins to experience spiritual revival, there is also going to be revival in the natural realm. This means as people on a massive scale begin to turn back to the Lord and to honor His ways, it is going to cause a cultural and economic shift as well. Not long ago I was driving to teach at a men's breakfast. While I was driving I began praying about the fall newsletter and the word God wanted me to share. When I looked up into the sky I began to see in the Spirit the word "PROSPERITY" written in the heavens. I had this exact same vision two more times later that day after leaving church. God reiterated three times that He was going to send prosperity in these upcoming days.

Deuteronomy 28:11 says the Lord will make you abound in prosperity when you honor His Word.

The problems we see in the world today are a reflection of the spiritual warfare taking place in the heavenly realms (Ephesians 6:12). When COVID-19 first broke out worldwide and legislators started mandating masks on its citizens, God showed me a vision. In this vision I saw witches coming up out of the earth and forcing masks on people. The spirit of witchcraft and the desire to control had been unleashed on the earth to try and take away the people's freedom (2 Corinthians 3:17). Then as one of the witches came towards me, taunting me with a mask, I looked up and saw angels coming out of Heaven swooping down and snatching the masks in these demons hands before they could touch people's faces! The Lord told me the spirit of witchcraft was causing all of these horrible events to take place that we are seeing right now.

While I am not advocating disobeying authority by refusing to wear a mask (see Romans 13:1-7), I do believe God was showing me that a demonic spirit is being used to try and control people. However, the forces of darkness at work right now are no match for our God and His Church. **After the disciple Peter confessed Jesus to be the Messiah and the Son of the Living God, Jesus commends him by saying in Matthew 16:18 (NLT), "Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build My Church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it."** When Jesus established His Church upon the immovable foundation, which is the confession that Jesus is the Messiah, even all the powers of hell together could not overpower the name of the Son of God.

The moment you confess Jesus Christ as Lord, you are saved.

The power you have can only be found in the name of Jesus. No amount of good deeds or frequent attendances at religious services can save you. Salvation is a free gift for all who call on the name of Jesus (Romans 6:23). Jesus' name carries infinite power. There is nothing you cannot do when you call upon the name of the Lord! Dark forces, like the spirits of witchcraft that were taunting me in my vision, must flee at the name of Jesus. They have no authority over you as a child of God. *Your identity - who you are, who you are meant to be - can only be discovered by having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.* Outside of Jesus Christ, we are all flawed and subject to the sinful nature of the flesh and to the world.

At the men's breakfast I had the opportunity to share with men across various age groups about how their value comes from God. When I first showed up I was caught off guard, as I was only expecting older men like the time before. To my surprise, these men of God had also brought in fifteen or so teenage boys from a boys ranch in the area that provides safety and shelter to neglected and/or abused children. I began to tear up as I observed these boys, who came from God knows what kind of homes (or lack thereof), timidly eating their breakfast. When it was my turn to stand up and speak, I handed out my devotional book *Tasting the Goodness of God* to everyone in the room.

As all eyes were glued on me, I began to read from "Day 23 - Praise" in the book. Throughout the reading I would stop and give a word of edification to the men. I looked across the room and told both the teens from the boys ranch and the older men that the reason they had value is because they were all God's sons. Because they are God's sons, they are extremely valuable. I told them they are who God says they are. They aren't who their friends say they are. They aren't who their teachers, coaches, colleagues, or family members say they are. They are who God says they are according to His Word. I could tell the message packed a punch, especially for the older men, as they knew what kind of homes these younger guys had come from.

You are who God says you are.

No matter who your parents are, what kind of childhood you had, or how much money you have or don't have, your true value comes from God. If you look to people for your value, you are going to be disappointed. People can be critical and negative. People don't always have your best interest at heart. The Scriptures says in Romans 8:31-32 (NIV), "What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all--how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?" God is not holding back any good thing from your life. The Lord longs to be good to you. He desires to bless and prosper you abundantly!

Today God is roaring like a lion over your adversary, who is the devil. *Isaiah 42:13 (BSB) says, "The LORD goes forth like a mighty one; He stirs up His zeal like a warrior. He shouts; yes, He roars in triumph over His enemies."* A few years ago I used to have wonderful Spirit-filled conversations with an awesome Christian woman and pastor named Janet Chapman. Janet is responsible for opening the door for me to begin preaching at Maranatha Fellowship (which you may have seen some of these sermons online). She passed away two summers ago. It was one of the most devastating and painful losses I have ever been through in my entire life. However, through many visions, dreams, and God's ever-loving presence my heart has been consoled during these times of tremendous heartache of losing her.

During one of our many conversations over the phone, Janet told me how we should literally roar out loud against our enemies. When I first heard her say it, I couldn't help but to laugh as I imagined this tiny woman of God literally making the roaring sound of a lion. While it was such a peculiar spiritual concept, Janet was right. She talked about how at one church service the Holy Spirit came upon people, and they would literally roar out loud like a lion at the enemy! As she told me this funny (and yet awe-inspiring) story about declaring victory over the devil, I never forgot the principle of what she was saying. The Scriptures say that Jesus Christ is the Lion of the tribe of Judah (Revelation 5:5). Just as a great lion roars and the animal kingdom trembles and flees in terror, so the demons tremble in terror and begin to flee when our God roars from Heaven! (See James 2:19)

In the same way, we should roar at the enemy in triumph as one of God's children.

If you have ever seen the Disney movie "Shrek Forever After", there is a famous scene where a boy at Shrek's kid's birthday party hassles him to "do the roar". While the little boy stands and licks his ridiculously large lollipop, he tells Shrek over and over to "do the roar". Shrek refuses, telling the little boy that he is an ogre and ogres only make life-threatening loud roars when they are angry. As the surrounding chaos of the birthday party begins to be seen and heard by Shrek as the camera pans across the room and the nagging little lollipop-licking boy and his father persisted he "do the roar", Shrek finally loses his temper and with a loud shout roars for several

seconds. The entire room is blown to the other side of the room from the mighty roar of Shrek. When he stops roaring the crowd pauses in silence for a moment then everyone lets out a great celebratory cheer.

While the humorous scene of Shrek roaring at the provocation of a little boy makes for family fun entertainment, the roar of God is going to cause people from all over the world to come back to the Lord. The prophet Hosea declares in Hosea 11:10 (NLT), “For someday the people will follow Me. I, the LORD, will roar like a lion. And when I roar, My people will return trembling from the west.” This upcoming decade the roar of God is going to go forth once again all over the world. The Holy Spirit is going to move on people in ways we have never seen before. The key to being a part of this global movement and end times harvest is by drawing close to God. *The Apostle Paul reminds us of how great God’s plans are for our lives when he tells the church in 1 Corinthians 2:9 (NLT), “No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him.”* The great things God has planned for you are not just for one day in eternity.

God’s awesome plans for you are in the here and now!

If God showed you everything He has prepared for you right now it would blow your mind. When God showed me that a wave of prosperity was coming in the 2020s, He also showed me the contrast between two different spirits. One night I had a vision and to my left I saw these black snakes that were slithering on Wall Street and in financial institutions. As I saw these demonic forces moving towards me I held up my hand in opposition. I continued to pray in the Spirit, and God showed me these institutions were operating under the spirit of greed. However, when I looked to the right I saw the Kingdom of God and the Holy Spirit. It was full of people who were prospering and flourishing in abundance. This spirit of prosperity was operating in God’s people. I believe God was giving me a revelation of the difference between greed and prosperity.

In the upcoming days we must have the gift of discernment to decipher between these two spirits, one (prosperity) being from Heaven, and one (greed) being from Hell. The religious spirit will tell you that having prosperity and abundance is wrong, that God does not want to bless you materially. *The truth is God wants to bless you so you can be a blessing in return.* You cannot give away something you do not possess. What we are going through right now is a test. Those who are faithful with what God has given them to steward are going to be given even more, and they are going to have an abundance (see Matthew 25:29). I have seen this principle at work in the ministry God has given me to steward. When MLM Publishing first started out it was established in response to needing to publish my first book *Tasting the Goodness of God*. That was over six years ago.

Today MLM Publishing has bloomed and blossomed into a multi-faceted, global media company and ministry that is reaching lives in ways I never thought possible before. In 2014, the first MLM Publishing newsletter was mailed out to a handful of people in Texas and California. Today newsletters are mailed out to all 50 US states and nine other countries! At the end of 2016, the Lord laid it upon my heart to begin filming weekly gospel videos for my readers and viewers. These weekly videos are now called “Word of the Week”. Since January 1, 2017, almost 200 Sunday evening “Word of the Week” messages have been recorded, edited, uploaded, emailed, and shared with people all over the world.

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By faith I’m still calling in all 195 countries of the world, and I invite you to join me through prayer and giving in this divine quest to reach more souls with the gospel message of salvation and God’s goodness.

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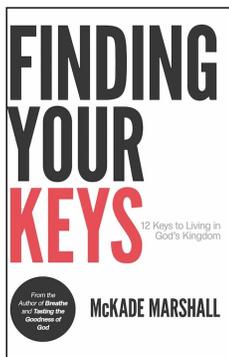
I declare this fall you are roaring in victory. As we enter the new "Roaring 20s" era, God is going to cause you to increase and be promoted because you keep Him first place in your life. This is the decade you are going to enter your Promised Land and see dreams come to pass. God is going to ROAR! and cause you to stand out for His glory in front of the world. Your trials are going to end in triumph. Your messes are going to become your message. With the Lord's help, there is nothing you cannot achieve! I love you, and I am praying for you.

Roaring in Triumph,

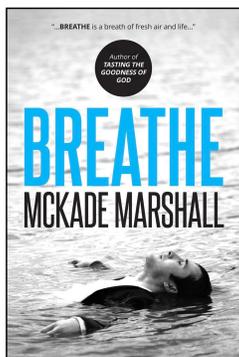


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