

# “CHURCH UNUSUAL”

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“The lion the witch and the portal”

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# TRANSITION OF LOCAL CHURCHES TO THE CHURCH UNUSUAL

- \* God is raising up **Governing Territorial Churches**
- \* A hub of **divine activity**
- \* They carry a **spiritual stature**
- \* **Exercise dominion** in the spiritual realm over the demonic realm
- \* They keep the **heavens open** and the atmosphere conducive for **kingdom demonstration**
- \* God needs a **gateway** for spiritual invasion

# THIS IS THE CHURCH UNUSUAL

God's tactical headquarters  
ready to unleash Heaven into the  
earth

*"They make the days of heaven on earth look possible"*

Natural to Supernatural

*"Portal Church"*

# JACOB

- \* Wrestled and overcame
- \* Found portals
- \* He was unusual to those days on earth

# PROPHETIC WORD BEING BIRTHED

*22 The babies jostled each other within her, and she said,  
“Why is this happening to me?”*

*So she went to inquire of the LORD.*

*23 The LORD said to her, “Two nations are in your womb,  
and two peoples from within you will be separated;  
one people will be stronger than the other,  
and the older will serve the younger.”*

*24 When the time came for her to give birth,  
there were twin boys in her womb.*

*25 The first to come out was red,  
and his whole body was like a hairy garment; so they named him Esau.*

*26 After this, his brother came out,  
with his hand grasping Esau’s heel; so he was named Jacob.  
Isaac was sixty years old when Rebekah gave birth to them.*

Genesis 25:22-26

# BREAKING FORTH UPON THE EARTH

Pain then the birth

A wrestle that results in life

There are 4 types of birth

# 1. RELIGION

*17 As a woman with child and about to give birth  
writhes and cries out in her pain,  
so were we in your presence, O LORD.*

*18 We were with child, we writhed in pain,  
but we gave birth to wind.*

*We have not brought salvation to the earth;  
we have not given birth to people of the world.*

Isaiah 26:17,18 NIV

**Religion is only wind**

# RELIGION → CHURCH UNUSUAL PORTALS

Personalities	→	Presence of God
Preferences of man	→	Principles of God
Programs	→	Purposes of God
Profit	→	People of God
Projections	→	Proceeding Word of God
Projects	→	Plans of God
Positions	→	Prosperity

## 2. CHURCH UNUSUAL HAS BEEN BIRTHED

*<sup>7</sup> But I tell you the truth:*

*It is for your good that I am going away.*

*Unless I go away, the Counsellor will not come to you;  
but if I go, I will send him to you.*

*<sup>8</sup> When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt  
in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment:*

John 16:7-8

The Holy Spirit leads you to the Portal

## 2. CHURCH UNUSUAL HAS BEEN BIRTHED CONT

*<sup>20</sup> I tell you the truth,  
you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices.*

*You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy.*

*<sup>21</sup> A woman giving birth to a child  
has pain because her time has come;  
but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish  
because of her joy that a child is born into the world.*

*<sup>22</sup> So with you: Now is your time of grief,  
but I will see you again and you will rejoice,  
and no one will take away your joy.*

John 16:20-22

# ATMOSPHERES OF THE CHURCH UNUSUAL

- ✓ *Obedience to the Holy Spirit*
- ✓ *Worship*
- ✓ *Meaningful relationships*
- ✓ *Miracles, transformations*
- ✓ *Truth to prevail*
- ✓ *Accurate connection and commitment to the house*
- ✓ *Hope faith and a great future*

### 3. THE EARTH IS GROANING FOR THE SONS OF GOD TO BE REVEALED

*<sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.*

*<sup>23</sup> Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.*

Romans 8:22-23

### 3. WHAT IS BIRTHED BY GOD OVERCOMES THE WORLD CONT

*<sup>4</sup> For whatever is born of God  
overcomes the world.  
And this is the victory  
that has overcome the world—our faith.*

1 John 5:4

## 4. THE FUTURE

<sup>7</sup> *“Before she goes into labour, she gives birth;  
before the pains come upon her, she delivers a son.*

<sup>8</sup> *Who has ever heard of such a thing?*

*Who has ever seen such things?*

*Can a country be born in a day  
or a nation be brought forth in a moment?*

*Yet no sooner is Zion in labour  
than she gives birth to her children.*

<sup>9</sup> *Do I bring to the moment of birth and not give delivery?”  
says the LORD.*

*“Do I close up the womb when I bring to delivery?”  
says your God.*

Isaiah 66:7-9

# JACOB MANIPULATES HIS DESTINY

*<sup>16</sup> She also covered his hands and the smooth part of his neck with the goatskins.*

*<sup>17</sup> Then she handed to her son Jacob the tasty food and the bread she had made.*

*<sup>18</sup> He went to his father and said, “My father.”  
“Yes, my son,” he answered. “Who is it?”*

*<sup>19</sup> Jacob said to his father, “I am Esau your firstborn.  
I have done as you told me.  
Please sit up and eat some of my game  
so that you may give me your blessing.”*

*<sup>41</sup> Esau held a grudge against Jacob because of the blessing his father had given him.  
He said to himself, “The days of mourning for my father are near;  
then I will kill my brother Jacob.”*

Genesis 27:16-19, 41

# JACOB'S FIRST PORTAL

<sup>12</sup> *He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth,  
with its top reaching to heaven,  
and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.*

<sup>13</sup> *There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD,  
the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac.  
I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ...*

<sup>16</sup> *When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought,  
"Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it."*

<sup>17</sup> *He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place!  
This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."*

*... <sup>21</sup> so that I return safely to my father's house,  
then the LORD will be my God <sup>22</sup> and this stone  
that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house,  
and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."*

Genesis 28:12-13; 16-17; 21-22

# HOW CAN WE RESPOND TO GOD?

We must become a “portal of obedience”

*You allow heaven  
to pass through your life  
so you can bring heaven to earth*

“Let it be unto me”

*Vision, dream, word from heaven*

# PORTAL OF MARRIAGE

*<sup>18</sup> Jacob was in love with Rachel and said,  
“I’ll work for you seven years  
in return for your younger daughter Rachel.”*

*<sup>19</sup> Laban said,  
“It’s better that I give her to you than to some other man.  
Stay here with me.”*

*<sup>20</sup> So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel,  
but they seemed like only a few days to him  
because of his love for her.*

Genesis 29:18-20 NIV

Romantic Portal – 7 years seemed only  
days

# PORTAL OF WEALTH

<sup>37</sup> *Jacob, however, took fresh-cut branches from poplar, almond and plane trees and made white stripes on them by peeling the bark and exposing the white inner wood of the branches.*

<sup>38</sup> *Then he placed the peeled branches in all the watering troughs, so that they would be directly in front of the flocks when they came to drink. When the flocks were in heat and came to drink,*

<sup>39</sup> *they mated in front of the branches.*

*And they bore young that were streaked or speckled or spotted.*

<sup>40</sup> *Jacob set apart the young of the flock by themselves, but made the rest face the streaked and dark-colored animals that belonged to Laban.*

*Thus he made separate flocks for himself and did not put them with Laban's animals.*

<sup>41</sup> *Whenever the stronger females were in heat, Jacob would place the branches in the troughs in front of the animals so they would mate near the branches, ...*

Genesis 30:37-41

# PORTAL OF PROTECTION

*<sup>23</sup> Taking his relatives with him,  
he pursued Jacob for seven days  
and caught up with him in the hill country of Gilead.*

*<sup>24</sup> Then God came to Laban the Aramean  
in a dream at night and said to him,  
“Be careful not to say anything to Jacob, either good or bad.”*

Genesis 31:23-24

# PORTAL OF TRANSFORMATION

*<sup>24</sup> So Jacob was left alone,  
and a man wrestled with him till daybreak.*

*<sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he could not overpower him,  
he touched the socket of Jacob's hip  
so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man.*

*<sup>26</sup> Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak."  
But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."*

*<sup>27</sup> The man asked him, "What is your name?"  
"Jacob," he answered.*

*<sup>28</sup> Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob,  
but Israel, because you have struggled with God  
and with men and have overcome."*

Genesis 32:24-28

# 8 DOMAINS – TO FIND PORTALS

## 1. Government

*Law, military, judicial, politics, local, state, Police*

## 2. Economics

*Principles of finance, retail, wholesale, loans, labour, employer/employee, banking*

## 3. Family

*Fathers, mothers, husbands, wives, marriage, courtship, children, widow, orphans, social and sexual conduct, extended families*

## 4. Education

*Teaching, training, mentors, disciples, wisdom, creative learning*

# 8 DOMAINS – TO FIND PORTALS

## 5. Communication

*Media, computer, books, CD's, TV, Cyber, speech, counselling, preaching, writings, Facebook, DVD's*

## 6. Signs and Technologies

*Science, nature, medical, health, mental health*

## 7. Arts and Entertainment

*Entertainers, bands, sport, fashion, food, poetry*

## 8. Spiritual

*Prayer, worship, devotion to God, God's power, presence blessings, Church, Kingdom of God, deliverance and healings.*

**“GO INTO ALL THE WORLD  
AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS”**

**“Go into everyone of these  
domains  
and make disciples”**

**Portals opening in every domain**