

2021 Prophetic Word
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Entitled: Look up and Live

This word begins with a scripture. Actually, for some time, that is all the Lord gave me. I want to share the scripture from three different translations of the Bible. **Numbers 21:8.**

From the New International Version: The LORD said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; **anyone who is bitten can look at it and live.**"

From the New Living Translation: Then the LORD told him, "Make a replica of a poisonous snake and attach it to a pole. **All who are bitten will live if they simply look at it!**"

From the Amplified Version: Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent [of bronze] and set it on a pole; **and everyone who is bitten will live when he looks at it.**"

When the Lord gave me this scripture, my first thought was, the 2021 prophetic word is going to be about the Pandemic. Shortly thereafter, Apostle Robinson shared our 2021 Theme, It's Time To Live!!! I knew there was a connection because that's just how our God rolls, but all had not yet been revealed to me.

This word is not about the COVID-19 Pandemic we're currently facing. It is, however, about an infiltration; one that is prevalent in the body of Christ. It is about not living and not knowing how to LIVE. Oh, we know how to do church and work, but most of us don't know how to live.

What is an infiltration? According to the Oxford Dictionary, it's the action of entering or gaining access to an organization or place [unnoticed], especially in order to cause damage.

I recall telling Pastor, "I know I need to live, but I don't know how to live." So, true to my personality, I expected the 1st message of 2021 to give me all the answers on how to live so I could just get on with it. I come up a little short when it comes to Patience, and if you are like me, each subsequent Sunday message is proof that learning to LIVE is a process. CWCC, a couple of important points:

- Apostle Robinson seeks and hears from the Lord on behalf of CWCC and the body of Christ at large.
- The Lord said CWCC operates under the Issachar anointing, which is understanding the timing of times.

I know where I am in my life and you might be there as well. What's more important is that God knows. Therefore, the timing of "It's Time To Live" is perfect. I recently listened to a Bishop TD Jakes message entitled "When." The message centered on the premise that God has a "when." CWCC, God has chosen 2021 to encourage, teach, remind and admonish us to LIVE.

God wants to remind us of **John 10:10**. "The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance [to the full, till it overflows]." AMP

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Matthew Henry Commentary says this about **Numbers 21:8**. The brazen serpent's being lifted up would not cure if it was not looked upon. If any [pondered over] their wound, and would not look up to the brazen serpent, they inevitably died. **If they slighted this method of cure**, and had recourse to natural medicines, and trusted [in] them, they justly perished.

The infiltration is spreading and causing damage. God has heard the prayers and unspoken request of His sons and daughters, and He says It's Time To Live!!!

In this 2021 year, we don't have a brazen serpent on a pole to look upon and live. But what we do have is Sunday messages, books we're encouraged to read, assignments and activities to complete. If we slight this method of cure, and not look up, we will justly perish.