

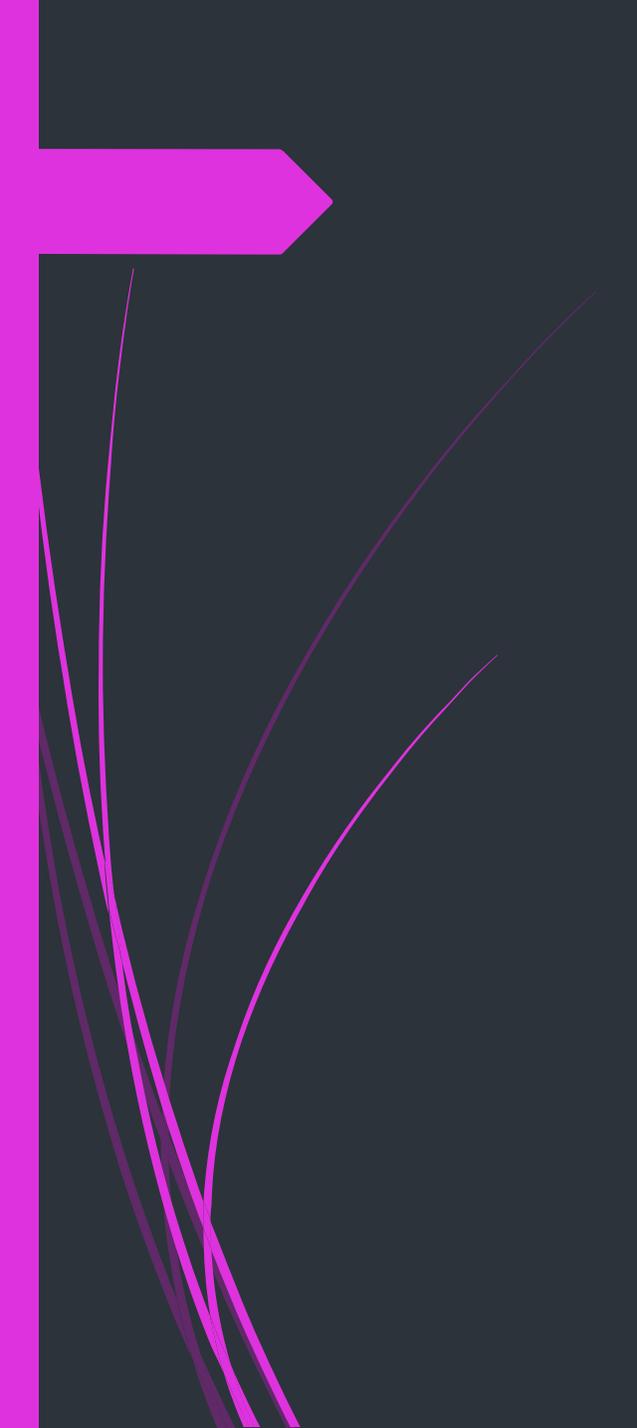
## 1 Cor 14:1-5, 24-33, 39 – 40

1 **Pursue love, yet earnestly desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.** 2 For the one who speaks in a tongue does not speak to people, but to God; for no one [a]understands, but [b]in his spirit he speaks mysteries. 3 **But the one who prophesies speaks to people for edification, exhortation, and consolation.** 4 The one who speaks in a tongue edifies himself; but the one who prophesies edifies the church. 5 **Now I wish that you all spoke in tongues, but rather that you would prophesy; and greater is the one who prophesies than the one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may receive edification.**

24 **But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an outsider enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all; 25 the secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so he will fall on his face and worship God, declaring that God is certainly among you.**

26 What is the outcome then, brothers and sisters? When you assemble, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. **All things are to be done for edification.** 27 If anyone speaks in a tongue, it must be by two or at the most three, and each one in turn, and one is to interpret; 28 but if there is no interpreter, he is to keep silent in church; and have him speak to himself and to God. 29 Have two or three prophets speak, and have the others pass judgment. 30 But if a revelation is made to another who is seated, then the first one is to keep silent. 31 **For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted;** 32 and the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets; 33 for God is not a God of confusion, but of peace.

39 **Therefore, my brothers and sisters, earnestly desire to prophesy,** and do not forbid speaking in tongues. 40 But all things must be done properly and in an orderly way.



# What is Prophecy:

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**Edification**—to build up, especially through encouragement and instruction

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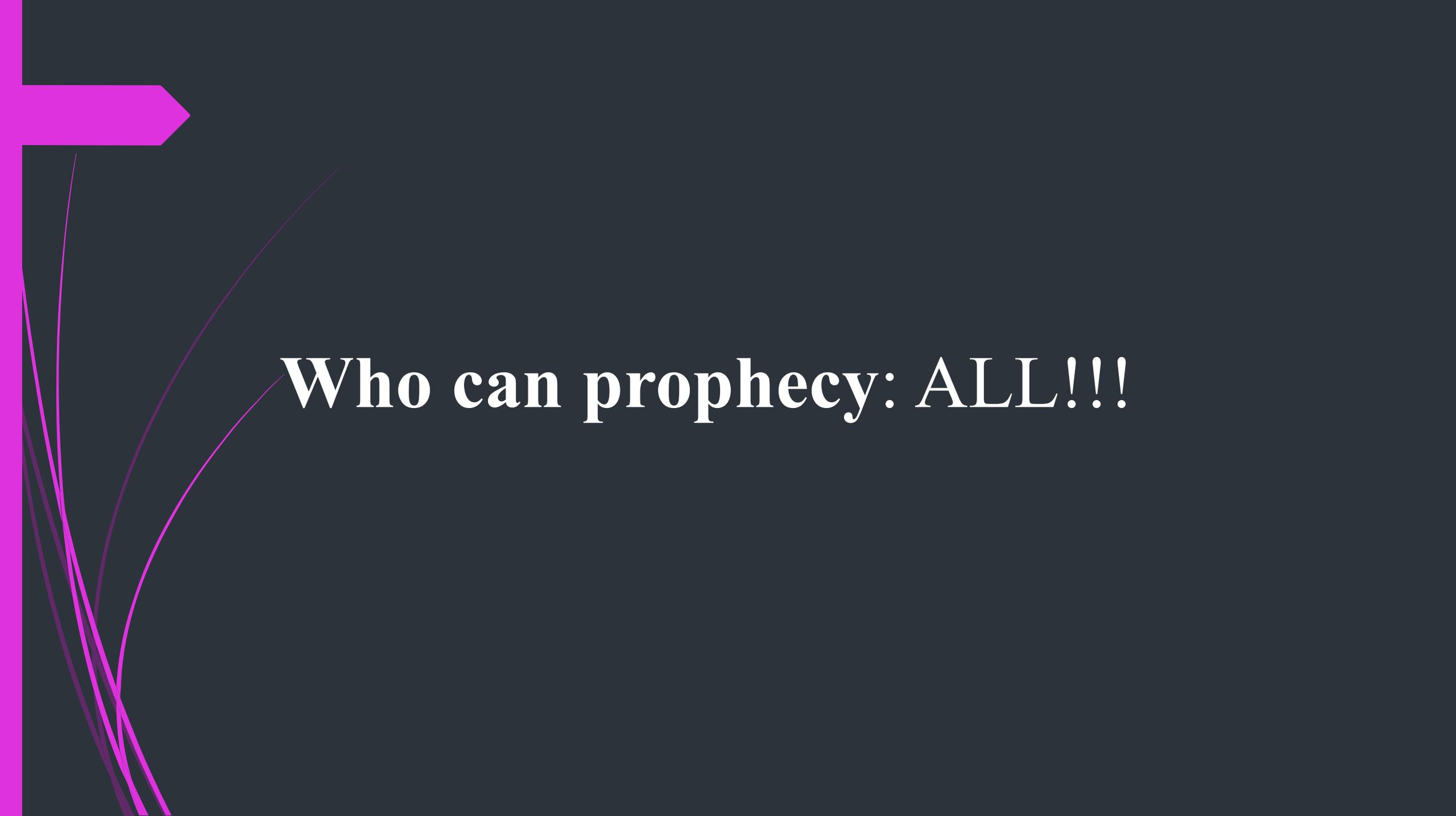
**Exhortation**—to incite, encourage, motivate, strongly urge to do something good

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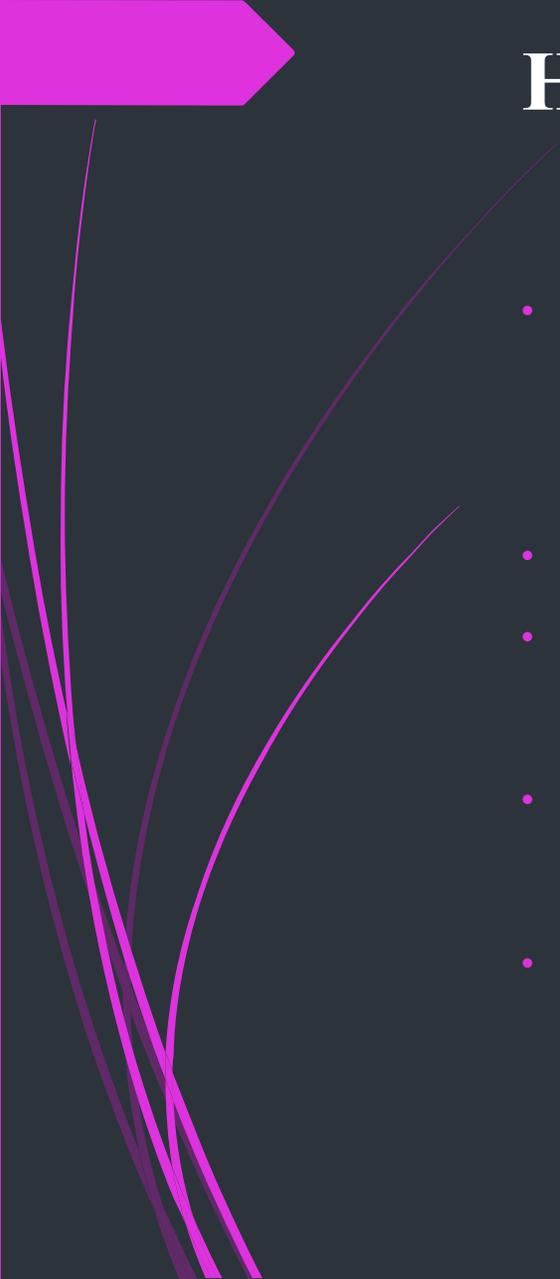
**Consolation/comfort**—to ease a person's feeling of grief, distress or disappointment

## What prophecy does:

1. Connects people to the Spirit of God
2. Brings awareness of the kingdom of God, His awesomeness
3. Brings an awe that God is there
4. Confirms what God is speaking to the person already (generally it's not new information but confirmation)

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**Who can prophecy: ALL!!!**



## How do you prophecy:

- Realize that you are already IN CHRIST and therefore you have everything you need to give to others. You have a river of life in you that is flowing so let it out!
- Be hungry for it so you can choose to release it
- Listen to God's voice, learning to "tune in" to God (it will ALWAYS line up with His Word)
- Be obedient, diligent to step out and speak, even if you end up "missing it"
- Practice!!

## Instructions for prophesying:

**Pray in the Spirit and expect Him to give a word for the person**

**Be brief** (The Holy Spirit will highlight a verse or phrase for that person then share it)

For example:

Say to person: “I see/hear/feel like God wants you to know that He is giving you extra grace and peace in this season” (verse 2)

Pause

Ask: “Does that mean anything to you/does that resonate?”

Listen to person and listen to Holy Spirit for further words, clarification

**Be kind**

**Be humble, have a good attitude**

**Be bold**—don’t be afraid to be wrong, God can still bless through it!

Ask “Does that mean anything to you?” or “Does that resonate with you?”

If yes, praise the Lord. If it doesn’t resonate right then, say, “oh, ok” don’t explain or apologize, thank them for allowing you to practice hearing God and bless them!

**Remember: you have God’s Word in you so you should ALWAYS be able to edify, exhort/encourage and comfort someone because you know what God says of you, He says of them too!! 😊**

# Ephesians 1

- ▶ <sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To God's holy people in Ephesus,<sup>[a]</sup> the faithful in Christ Jesus:
- ▶ <sup>2</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- ▶ <sup>3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. <sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love <sup>5</sup> he<sup>[b]</sup> predestined us for adoption to sonship<sup>[c]</sup> through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, <sup>9</sup> he<sup>[d]</sup> made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, <sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.
- ▶ <sup>11</sup> In him we were also chosen,<sup>[e]</sup> having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, <sup>12</sup> in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.