BREAKING
STRONGHOLDS
IN YOUR
CITY
LEVEL ONE

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# BREAKING STRONGHOLDS IN YOUR CITY.

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A BASIC GUIDE TO SPIRITUAL MAPPING - STEP BY STEP APPROACH.  $2000\,$ 

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#### INTRODUCTION.

Every born-again Christian who knew that there was a spiritual stronghold over their City would wish that it was removed as soon as possible. Complete agreement as to the nature of the stronghold and how to deal with it will probably prove to be elusive.

Gathering information about your City will establish more of a consensus of opinion. If results can be corroborated independently by different intercessors with prophetic insight and others with the gift of discerning of spirits, then we are on the verge of a breakthrough.

Strategic prayer actions, tactics and timing within God's purposes could lead to significant progress of the Kingdom of God. It is not my purpose to present the case for Spiritual Mapping, but to present a tool for carrying it out.

In Level One of this Project, simply find a piece of information that you feel is relevant and type it in after one of the questions, be sure to include a reference source and page number so that it can be checked and validated at a later date. Many References can be added under any Question and the work will simply increase as you proceed. This approach is suitable where large volumes of information are not anticipated. Level Two and Level Three are provided for larger studies and are recommended for experienced users of Microsoft Word. Whichever approach is used, information should be passed on to intercessors and a team of people with prophetic ability and discerning of spirits for guidance on Prayer actions and strategies.

It is recommended that any potential user reads through Level Two and Level Three before deciding which approach to use. The advantages of higher levels should become apparent and will allow for greater expansion of data in a manageable form.

Take careful note of the Rules for taking a City which follow on from the questions.

A separate list of sources of information should be kept, stating author, title, printer and ISBN of all books used.

#### REFERENCE CODES FOR QUESTIONS.

## STEP ONE: GATHERING THE INFORMATION

#### HISTORICAL APPROACH

#### THE HISTORY OF THE CITY

- A. The Founding of the City.
  - HIA01 Who were the people who founded the City?
  - HIA02 What was the personal or corporate reason for founding the City? What were their beliefs and philosophies? What was their vision for the future of the City?
  - HIA03 What was the significance of the original name of the City?
  - HIA03(i) Has the name been changed?
  - HIA03(ii) Are there other names or popular designations for the City?
  - HIA03(iii) Do these names have any meaning? Are they linked to religion of any sort? Are they demonic or occultic names? Do they signify blessing? Curse? Do they highlight the City's redemptive gift? Do they reflect the character of the people of the City?
- B. The Later History of the City,
  - HIB01 What role has the City played in the life and character of the nation as a whole?
  - HIB02 As prominent leaders have emerged in the City, what was their vision for their City?
  - HIB03 Have any radical changes taken place in the government or political leadership of the City?
  - HIB04 Have there been significant or sudden changes in the economic life of the City? Famine? Depression? Technology? Industry? Discovery of natural resources?
  - HIB05 What significant immigration has occurred? Was there ever an imposition of a new language or culture on the City as a whole?
  - HIB06 How have the immigrants been treated? How have races or ethnic groups related to one another? Have City laws legitimised racism of any kind?
  - HIB07 Have City leaders broken any treaties, contracts or covenants?
  - HIB08 Have any wars directly affected the City? Were any battles fought in the City? Was there any bloodshed?
  - HIB09 How has the City treated the poor and oppressed? Has greed characterised City leaders? Is there evidence of corruption among political, economic or religious leaders and institutions?
  - HIB10 What natural disasters have affected the City?
  - HIB11 Does the City have a motto or slogan? What is its meaning?

- HIB12 What kinds of music do the people listen to? What is the message they receive from that music?
- HIB13 What five words would most people in the City use to characterise the positive features of the City today? What five words would they use for the negative features?

#### II. HISTORY OF RELIGION IN THE CITY

#### A. Non Christian Religion

- HIIA01 What were the religious views and practices of the people who inhabited the area before the City was founded?
- HIIA02 Were religious considerations important in the founding of the City?
- HIIA03 Have any Non -Christian religions entered the City in significant proportions?
- HIIA04 What secret orders (such as Freemasonry) have been present in the City?
- HIIA05 What witches` covens, Satanist groups or other such cults have operated in the City?

#### B. Christianity

- HIIB01 When, if ever, did Christianity enter the City? Under what circumstances?
- HIIB02 Have any of the early or later Christian leaders been Freemasons?
- HIIB03 What role has the Christian community played in the life of the City as a whole? Have there been changes in this?
- HIIB04 Is Christianity in the City growing, plateaued or declining?

## C. Relationships

- HIIC01 Has there ever been conflict between religions in the City?
- HIIC02- Has there been conflict between Christians?
- HIIC03 What is the history of the church splits in the City?

#### PHYSICAL RESEARCH

- P01 Locate different maps of the City, especially the older ones. What changes have taken place in the physical characteristics of the City?
- P02 Who were the City planners who designed the City? Were any Freemasons?
- P03 Are there any significant discernible designs or symbols embedded in the original plan or layout of the City?
- P04 Is there any significance in the architecture, location or positional relationship of the central buildings, especially those representing the political, economic, educational or religious powers in the City? Did Freemasons lay any of the cornerstones?
- P05 Has there been any historical significance in the particular plot of land upon which one or more of these buildings are located? Who originally owned this land?
- P06- What is the background of the City's parks and plazas? Who commissioned and funded them? What significance might their names have?
- P07 What is the background and possible significance of the statues and monuments of the City? do any reflect demonic characteristics or glorify the creature rather than the Creator?
- P08 What other artwork is featured in the City, especially on or in public buildings, museums or theatres? Look especially for sensual or demonic art.
- P09 Are there any prominent archaeological sites in the City? What meaning might they have?
- P10 What is the location of highly visible centres of sin such as abortion clinics, bookstores or theatres, areas of prostitution, gambling, taverns, homosexual activities, etc.?
- P11 Where are the areas that concentrate greed, exploitation, poverty, discrimination, violence, disease or frequent accidents?
- P12 Where are locations of past or present bloodshed through massacre, war or murder?
- P13 Does the position of trees, hills, stones or rivers form any apparently significant pattern?
- P14 Do certain landmarks of the City have names that would not glorify God?
- P15 What is the highest geographical point in the City and what is built or located there? This can be a statement of authority?
- P16 Which zones or sectors of neighbourhoods of your City seem to have characteristics of their own? Attempt to discern areas of the City that seem to have different spiritual environments.

#### SPIRITUAL RESEARCH

#### A. Non -Christian

- SA01 What are the names of the principle deities or territorial spirits associated with the City past or present?
- SA02 What are the locations of high places, alters, temples, monuments or buildings associated with witchcraft, occult, fortune-telling, Satanism, Freemasonry, Mormonism, Eastern religions, Jehovah's Witnesses and the like. Do these form any patterns when plotted on a map?
- SA03 What are the sites of pagan worship from the past, even before the City was founded?
- SA04 What are the different cultural centres that might contain art or artefacts connected with pagan worship?
- SA05 Has any City leader knowingly dedicated himself or herself to any pagan god or a principality?
- SA06 Were any known curses placed by the original inhabitants on the land or people who founded the City?

#### B. Christian

- SB01 How have God's messengers been received by the City?
- SB02 Has evangelism been easy or hard?
- SB03 Where are the churches located? Which of them would you see as "life giving" churches?
- SB04 What is the health of the churches in the City?
- SB05 Who are the Christian leaders considered as "elders of the City"?
- SB06 Is it easy to pray in all areas of the City?
- SB07 What is the status of unity among Christian leaders across ethnic and denominational lines?
- SB08 What is the view of City leaders toward Christian morality?

## C. Revelation

- SC01 What are the recognised, mature intercessors hearing from God concerning the City?
- SC02 What is the identity of the ranking principalities seemingly in control of the City as a whole or certain areas of the City's life or territory?

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#### STEP TWO: ACTING ON THE INFORMATION

## **RULES FOR TAKING A CITY**

Rule 1: The Area

Select a manageable geographical area with discernible spiritual boundaries.

Rule 2: The Pastors

Secure the unity of the pastors and other Christian leaders in the area and begin to pray together on a regular basis.

#### Rule 3: The Body of Christ

Project a clear image that the effort is not an activity simply of Pentecostals and Charismatic, but of the whole Body of Christ.

#### Rule 4: The Spiritual Preparation

Assure the spiritual preparation of participating leaders and other Christians through repentance, humility and holiness.

## Rule 5: The Research

Research the historical background of the City in order to reveal spiritual forces shaping the City. (This was covered in the first part of this chapter: "Gathering the Information.")

#### Rule 6: The Intercessors

Work with intercessors especially gifted and called to strategic-level spiritual warfare, seeking God's revelation of:

- (a) the redemptive gift or gifts of the City;
- (b) Satan's strongholds in the City;
- (c) territorial spirits assigned to the City;
- ( d ) corporate sin past and present that needs to be dealt with;
- (e) God's plan of attack and timing.

# Appendix A

# TABLE. THE TASKFORCE OF RESEARCHERS

NAME OF RESEARCHER	TELEPHONE NUMBER OF RESEARCHER

# TABLE. THE TASKFORCE OF INTERCESSORS

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