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## Two Realities

Can you relate to Israel facing two realities? Firstly, God had told them they are destined to be in the Promised Land of 'milk and honey'. In fact, He said it was already a reality: "Behold I have given it into your hands". The second reality is: they are marching around in the desert with no visible means of support and the occupants of the land are BIG and MANY.

### *One reality was declared, the other tangible.*

In his book "When Heaven Invades Earth", Bill Johnson says, "Unbelief is anchored in what is visible and reasonable apart from God. It honors the natural realm as superior to the invisible...*Unbelief is faith in the inferior*".

We, at NMM (daily) face two opposing realities and must choose which to honor with our actions:

#### Declared but invisible

1. Clear vision of what is to be accomplished
2. Scriptural principles to confirm it
3. Personal, fresh words re: provision for the vision
4. Successfully tested boat retreat model
5. Next step: acquire a vessel
6. \$4 mil boats available



#### Tangible and reasonable

1. Insignificant (& dwindling) savings
2. Huge price tags for vessel and operations
3. Economy down, people fearful, supporters wondering...
4. Man's wisdom says "you are crazy!"
5. Spirit of mammon & poverty say "no way!"

After we choose to give God's invisible plan more credence, then what? We understand so far, that God's protocol goes like this: 1. He has a plan to address a need on earth. 2. He "broadcasts" that plan from His heart to the heart of an earthly ambassador (pre-qualified and authorized). It is recognized as a heart burden and vision/dream that will address the situation God wants changed (think Nehemiah and Moses as examples). As the ambassador embraces the vision, God confirms it with scriptural principles and the details and plans become more defined. At this point the two opposing realities become alarmingly evident. The temptation to give in is huge!

In the wee hours of the night recently, the Lord revealed an answer to my cry of "**How do I unlock all the promised Heavenly provision for this vision, so that it is usable now, on earth?**" He reminded me that Jesus told His disciples, "I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind [declare to be improper and unlawful] on earth must be what is already bound in heaven; and

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whatever you loose [declare lawful] on earth must be what is already loosed in heaven." (Matt. 16:19, Amplified) Wow!

The personal revelation to me was this: Receiving vision, as mentioned above, **IS** the evidence that God's intention has been "loosed" [declared to be proper and lawful] in heaven and He wants it to be loosed (accomplished, carried out, achieved) on earth. In Gen. 1, God created things by **declaring** "Let there be \_\_\_\_\_". Now He has chosen to involve us in the process. Jesus said, "I authorize you to co-create with Me" (Matt 28:18) **Loosing** and **declaring** (declaring means verbal agreement with God) are synonymous in His program.

**Stay tuned** for Part 2 next month when we talk more specifically about loosing and declaring! We'll be experimenting with this and if you're 'game', try it with us: 1. Receive His burden for someone or some issue; 2. Let Him paint you a picture of His intentions; 3. Then, with authority, declare outloud His will and watch things change!

News:

**BOATS, VESSELS, YACHTS!**



*MV Inside Passage III*

How about this boat name in light of our prayer counseling work?! We hope to view this one next week.



*MV No Boundaries*

This is still 'in the running' for the ministry vessel. It also has an intriguing name, wouldn't

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*We are so blessed we can hardly stand it! Pray with us for increased capacity – the more we can receive, the more we have to give away. Thank you, Lord, for transformation of ministry guests, more Kingdom perspective, more wisdom, the freedom to do what is right and what honors You, and more courageous and talented partners. THANK THE LORD WITH US FOR THE BOAT!!*

More News:

★ Julie has finished a new website exclusively for the Retreat Cruises. Check it out at [www.noblemaritime.com](http://www.noblemaritime.com)

★ Our ministry 'home base' is now officially on the market. We will continue to rent by the month until it sells.



★ The Retreat Cruise schedule is set up for this summer. Check out the schedule, pick your dates and call for your reservations today! [www.noblemaritime.com](http://www.noblemaritime.com)

★ Josh celebrates his 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday on the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month. What better place to spend a birthday than Kona, Hawaii?!

