**HEART TO HEART**/A word of hope and encouragement by Mennie Morrison

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**WORD OF EXHORTATION (2023)**

**IT’S DECISION TIME, A PIVOTAL YEAR!**

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As always, towards the end of the year as we are embarking on a new one, I inquire of the Holy Spirit to see what He wants to specifically speak to me. Sometimes these words are personal in nature, and sometimes they are cooperate. However, even if they are personal in nature, I feel that it can bless others as well.

Over the past several days, I heard several things in my spirit. However, this word has stuck with me: **It’s Decision Time**. The other thing that I heard was **2023** is going to be a **Pivotal Year**. Of course, I had to look up the word; **Pivotal**. It means: *of crucial importance in relations to the development or success of something else. It also means, Critical, vitally important*. This was all that I received on December 24th 2022 at around 12:01 pm, so I will await to hear more from Holy Spirit.

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As I sat before the Lord this morning, asking and seeking His voice for more on what He wanted to say to me/us for the year of **2023**. I began to inquire of the Holy Spirit about Him saying to me that **2023** would be a **Pivotal Year**, which from the definition means: *crucial important, critical and vitally important*.

So, I sensed that Holy Spirit is speaking this word to us because as we get closer and closer to Jesus’ return, we in the Body of Christ need to know and understand the times and the seasons that we are living. It is **Pivota**l (crucial important, critical and vitally important) because we don’t have time to waste. We as believers in Christ need to act as such and live according to the Word of God. It is critical that we line our lives up with God’s Word and OBEY Him at all Cost (**1 Samuel 15:22**). Standing on God’s Word in the midst of a culture and society going totally opposite and against the Word of God.

Lives are at stake and need to hear and see the Real Gospel according to the Word of God displayed in the lives of God’s people. This is an urgent hour; it is time to Shout the **Love**, **Redemption** and **Reconciliation** of God to the world that’s gone mad. It is critical and of upmost Importance of us to be who God has called us to be. If you and I as children of God, don’t know what that is, we must get into the Word of God and find out who we are in Him and who He is in Us.

There is an urgent call for God’s people to Stand and, having done all, Stand therefore in God and His mighty power (**Ephesians 6:13-14**). Again, this year of **2023 is Pivotal** (of crucial importance, critical and of upmost importance). I sense the Lord saying that the World needs His body (The Body of Christ Jesus) as never before.

Now, what I believe the Holy Spirit is saying to us about **It’s Decision Time** is this: I believe the Lord is asking us a question, those of us in the Body of Christ. Are we going to make the right Decision(s) in this Pivotal year of 2023? **It’s time to Decide**.

If we are born again by the Spirit of God, we need to ensure that we are pursuing Him and obeying Him with all that we have. Why, so that the world can see Jesus, by us being the salt of the earth and the light of the world (**Matthew 5:13-16**).

We need to make a **Decision** to share the Good News of the Gospel, winning people to Jesus (**Romans 10:9-10, Acts 4:12**). **It is Decision Time.** If we know Jesus and have truly had a born again experience but not living it out in our daily lives, now is our time to **Decide** (**Joshua 24:15**).

We have been living in so much of the Grace and Mercy of God. Our Heavenly Father giving us ample time to **Decide** to choose Him. However, there may come a time when His mercy and grace is lifted (**Isaiah 55:6**).

The ball is in our court. If we don’t **Decide** to fully and wholeheartedly live for Jesus and be His representatives in the earth by sharing the Good News of the Gospel, how will the world hear and know that they have a choice and make that Decision for Jesus (**Romans 10:14-15**).

So, as we enter this year of **2023**, a **Pivotal Year and a Decision-Making Year**, let us take heed and make our choice by choosing Rightly. Let us Rise up in this **Pivotal Year** and **Be the Triumphant Body of Christ** that will share the **Gospel of Hope** to a **Hopeless** world and help usher in the return of the Lord!