

## Study Notes based on Saturday and Sunday 9/10 June 2018

### The Spiritual Gift of Prophecy- Cath Livesey

#### 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

1. Please share any general responses to Cath's visit? Share any specific questions you would like to discuss?
2. Cath suggested that revelation is the essence of God speaking to us. She said that He does this in two ways – primarily through the Bible, but also through 'now' words. How helpful is this distinction? What do you see as the relationship between them?
3. Cath suggested that some revelation is personal – not restricted to guidance, it might be God telling us how much He loves us. (the voice of God will be kind, loving and full of life) Some revelation is for others and she called this 'prophecy.' How do you respond to this definition?
4. Cath said prophecy is NOT speaking in a strange, or loud voice, or in archaic language; predicting the future; unaccountable, judgmental. It IS sharing the Father's heart with people. 'the ability to find treasure in the dirt of people's lives' - How do you respond?
5. See John 16:13-15 where the Holy Spirit is described as the Spirit of revelation. Cath noted that in both Old and New Testaments when the Spirit is released on people, prophecy happens. (see 1 Samuel 10:6-11 and Acts 19:1-6) How might we access this revelation?
6. Cath spoke about developing a relationship with the Holy Spirit. She said that hearing God was not a technical exercise but comes out of relationship with the Holy Spirit. What do you think Galatians 5:25 means.
7. Cath said 'there are no toxic levels of the Holy Spirit' – how do you respond?
8. How do you think the weekend's teaching might translate into the life of Bridgnorth Baptist Church?

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