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Greetings all! I think that many of us are hearing God saying that He wants us to walk in a closer way with Him right now. This has certainly been something that has cropped up in gatherings here in the last couple of weeks. As we have pointed out in previous newsletters, our Father has been warning His family that more serious times are coming. Certainly now on the world scene it all looks much closer and more imminent than when He first started talking to me about the need for His Family across the Nation to prepare. As we have said, the best form of preparation is to work on our hearing from Him and asking Him for clearer seeing of what He is doing.

I can share with you that over the last three years He has had things to say to me which tuned up my understanding of what He was asking of us, and about who we are as Kingdom People. I know from encounters with others outside our normal fellowship groups that we are certainly not alone in this. I firmly believe that our Father has an agenda that He has been working to, and for many of us life is, or is about to be more uncomfortable as we grapple with Him moving forward in ways we may not have anticipated.

The key foundation of Christian life, and of ongoing relationship with Him, remains our surrender to Jesus' Lordship over our lives, and allowing our "spiritual hunger" for Him to continually bring us into surrender places. Jesus took time to walk into the hills in order to spend quality time with our Father. If He as God in flesh and blood needed to do that, then so much more do we need to take the time to be alone with Him to make sure we are still on track in the vision, mandates and jobs He has given us to do as He builds His Church in Christchurch.

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## **THE WAVE**

By Kevin Grant, 2 August 2011

I had just finished having communion with Father God, and He gave me this vision.

I saw a huge wave moving along. At the bottom of the wave the water colour was green brackish colour. There were people swimming in it oblivious to what was around them and that the water was not good there. The rest of the wave was good water and the top of the wave was a beautiful blue and white colouration. The wave represents the new move of God that is upon us.

On top of the wave was a surf board, with the name "Intimacy" written on it. Above the board, were the words Righteousness, Holiness and Purity. The only way to ride this wave is by pursuing intimacy with our Father, out of which comes righteousness, holiness and purity in all our ways.

As there was no ladder visible, I believe our Father was asking us (never telling us) to “step up” into the fullness of what He has for us. It is a personal decision to do this. He is calling His body into “Intimacy” and this means time spent in the “quiet place”.

It is also I believe the beginning of the Lord coming for His pure and spotless Bride, the time of which we don't know, but He is asking us to look at the signs of the times. I believe it is closer than we can imagine.

Proverbs 3:32 says “*but He is intimate with the righteous*”

## Intimacy

Time spent with the Lord, opening our hearts to Him, seeking His face, humbling ourselves. 2 Chronicles 7:14: reads “*If My people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*” This is about humbling ourselves before Him, not just asking forgiveness for sin. In that way it is also about seeking intimacy.

Psalm 46:10 reads, “*Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the land.*” A key to being intimate with Him is spending quality time with Him, putting aside all other priorities, making Him the complete focus of that time. Our Father is a gentleman and won't invade your space unless you give Him full permission.

He is wooing His church. God is Love. He loves us so much. In John 10:27 we read, “*My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.*” The word “*know*” in the Greek is intimacy. Like the deep intimacy between husband and wife. So it reads, “*My sheep hear My voice, and I am intimate with them, and they follow Me.*” He wants to be intimate with us, NOW, the creator of the universe and those He calls righteous.

Hence the vision, and the call to “step up”. Grab hold of the staff of authority, and the relationship He wants with every single one of us. Luke 19:10 tells us that “*the Son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.*” What a privilege to hear that, but we are cautioned in Isaiah 55:6 to “*Seek the Lord, while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near.*”

Please don't ever take Him for granted. This is a serious call to His body.

[A poem from Kevin – Psalm 46 v 10](#)

Bless you all, Kev Grant.

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