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This is a letter to the large churches or leader churches, as I would call them in Abbotsford. I wanted to share with you a dream I had recently and what I believe it may mean. Please read it and consider it, then do what you feel is appropriate.

A dream last night - June 24, 2002

Someone called me to come and look at the building that was struck by lightning. I saw a large building and had a closeup look. There was a large separation from the top, straight down to the bottom. I said to the other person, "How wide is this crack or separation?" I quickly measured the width of it and said to him, "It's about 18 or 20 inches." He suggested it was at least 24" wide. I noticed the 2 x 4's and 2 x 8's very clearly inside the separation and wondered that they weren't singed or splintered. That was all to the dream. The night before, I had a dream that I would say was the first part to this dream but don't remember any details.

My wife and I discussed this today and she suggested three different scenarios. The one that seemed to fit is that God is telling me, the watchman on the wall, that a problem in the area of a split amongst church leaders could occur in the Church that we attend.

My thought is that this could very well be what is coming at all the largest churches or leader churches in Abbotsford. The enemy is setting out to break up God's plans for His people in this city. So what do we do about this warning?

Perhaps we should take this seriously. Prayer groups need to focus on praying for the pastors and leaders of all these leader churches. Intercessors should also know about this dream and its possible meaning.

I would venture to say that the enemy of our churches, the enemy of our city has set about to create divisions. Another way of saying this is "divide and conquer".

God has a marvellous plan for the city of Abbotsford and surrounding area. He has already set about to bringing His plan into being. A plan that is so big, so perfect, so all encompassing that the enemy wants to shut it down.

Perhaps the time has come to stir up the intercessors and prayer warriors in this city and prevent the enemy's plan to divide or separate and conquer or destroy. After all the Lord did say, "I will build My church and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it".

My name is Bill Ferguson. My wife and I have begun to attend a large church in this city. Our desire is to see God's plan and purpose for Abbotsford come to be, soon, and each leader church in this city has a major part to play in His plan.

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While meditating on this separation and what that could mean to the city of Abbotsford, but also remembering what God has promised and the importance of Church unity I began to feel almost overwhelmed by it all.

Then He gave me a momentary glance of what He is preparing to do. Over the city a large being was standing centered in the Seven Oaks area. He was in the process of placing what looked like a large umbrella or canopy over Abbotsford and surrounding area. Immediately I assumed it o be a canopy, but it was shaped like an umbrella. As I looked at it more closely it was completely clear. A very bright light was shining through this clear umbrella onto the city below.

I knew God was looking with favour on this people in this city. The umbrella was a form of protection from anything that would try to destroy His plan for Abbotsford, and at the same time shining through with His love, power and authority to draw His people to a higher level of righteousness and relationship with Him, and to reach each person lost and ensnared by the forces of evil.

This bright light was a light of encouragement and love, but it was also shining into the hearts of the Church leaders and the people, showing each of us those hidden things He wants us to give up or change.

God's plan for Abbotsford is larger and more magnificent than anyone could even imagine and He wants us to be a part of it.

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After several weeks of not knowing what to do, being that this dream and vision seemed so "off the wall" and unusual, I've had the opportunity to stand back and look at the big picture.

In this bigger picture I see God as interested in each individual, and each church in this area, but He is also interested in His church, the body of Christ.

There seems to be a stirring in the heart of every "born-again believer" that has not been there before. This stirring is the Holy Spirit wanting each of us to come more alive in our relationship with Him. He wants us to listen to what He is saying to us, to His church.

Although we hear much about the evil things that are happening around us daily, God is doing much greater things. The stirring in our spirits could be the King of Kings calling us out of our lethargy and into an awareness that a great separation is emerging between good and evil that has always been there, but is now increasing in intensity and is speeding up.

I believe God is telling us and warning us constantly that we are on the last lap of <u>"the race"</u>. It is I time to lift up our heads because our redemption is drawing near. We need to see what is around us, in our churches, in our cities and set ourselves to prayer and listening to what He is telling us. It is time to clean up God's House (each of our lives).

Many of us good people attend church regularly. Some of us are pastors, board members, home group leaders, worship leaders, or are just church attenders. Some of us are diligent in giving our tithes and offerings. We are in prayer groups, work in an office or teach Sunday school. God is calling all of us to look into the deep corners and recesses of our lives and to see what He sees. We may be able to harbour secret sins, but there are two big eyes that see everything we do and everything we think. It is time to seek His forgiveness and take on the humility of Christ.

Now we are seeing a separation taking place between those who cling to their sin and those whom God has been asked to clean up, between those serious about a closer walk with God and those desiring to go their own way.

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