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Bev and Joy Southampton- Prophecy for the Resound Church

Joy had a picture of a chain, not a linked chain but a twisted gold chain. It is important that the chain is twisted as it is strong.

Scriptures – Gen 41:42 Joseph had a chain of office

Daniel 5:6 Daniel had a chain of office

God is saying that the church has weight and authority to fulfil a certain office. Joseph and Daniels office had to do with feeding people. This was an external focus. They had the authority to provide, to release something for the Kingdom of God.

Ex 39:21 – the ephod was held by golden chains. This signifies a priestly calling and anointing (the ephod was worn in the Holy of Holies). The stones on the ephod represent the 12 tribes of Israel. Your church has a role of holding something much larger, i.e. holding people who go to other people groups. It is also about ministering to God: a prayerful role, a worshipful role. There will be seasons where the church comes together to intercede for people and groups. There will be authority, a calling and an anointing and the intercession will make a difference. It will be a body ministry and a season of prayer.

The gold of the chain – gold is a soft metal that is hammered –it speaks of our journey. There is a heating and hammering process in shaping gold and there is also a need to find a place of thankfulness for what has squashed us out of shape. God's hand is in it.

The twisted chain - John 13:34 (Love one another). With twisting, individual links cannot be noticed. The strands are interwoven and joined. There is a distinctive of love, care and honour for each other. The enemy causes us to feel isolated to prevent our true calling. Make love our goal.

Future leader – 1Sam 16 (Samuel anoints David) The Lord looks at the heart. Seven sons were brought before Samuel – don't worry if finding a new leader takes time. God has someone marked out. Pray to have the eyes of God.

Zech. 4:6 'Not by might, nor by power but by my Spirit' says the Lord Almighty . What is coming will be in His timing, by His Spirit and what He wants to do.

Bev focused on the name Resound: 'All creation resounds with the glory of God'. The name is rightly chosen. Worship needs to be a key. Explore an element of fun in worship – fun and joy makes people feel good. Joyous celebrating, a resounding celebration of joy, lifting worship. Explore different ways. It is not a chance name – recover and build on being a resounding people impacting others.