

**From:** Philip Corbin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 20, 2004 9:43 AM  
**To:** Christian Fellowship  
**Subject:** The Gospel Shoes Dream

**Greetings all in the Perennially Power-Packed, Perfect, Precious, Predominant, Potent and Positively Pre-eminent Name of JESUS!!**

Recently (Sunday morning two days ago) the Lord gave me a dream, which, although it was specifically for me, I feel led to share.

In the dream I saw a group of Christians on a trek; the ground was muddy. Many kept getting their footwear stuck in the mud and would move forward without their shoes or sandals, and on realising this would have to go back to recover their shoes. I was near the front, but my sandals had no means of binding to my feet at the back, and I moved forward only slowly in the mud because of the care I was having to exercise to avoid letting my sandals be stuck in the mud. Eventually I made it to the finish of the hike.

The interpretation came as I woke up and was still in my bed, with my eyes closed. The Lord said that the footwear represented the shoes of the preparation of the gospel of peace as in Ephesians 6. He said that I did not have the gospel bound to my feet as closely as it should be; hence the difficulty of walking through the mud. The mud represented the world and the cares of the world that the believer has to walk through. My footwear of the gospel needs to be more closely bound to my feet.

As I opened my eyes I saw my open-backed sandals that I often wear around the house directly in front of me on the floor. This was a confirmation of the dream as the sandals looked like those in the dream. There is a better, newer pair that my wife has been encouraging me to wear since I purchased them; they can be bound to my feet from the back and represent the new binding of the gospel to my life and heart that I must seek in order to more quickly and efficiently complete the course the Lord has set before me.

The Lord also showed me through the dream that it is easy to advance in one's own strength without the gospel, but then one will get bogged down in the mud and have to retreat back to the place in one's walk with the Lord where the "gospel shoes" were left behind.

In closing, I should mention that two weeks ago I read the book : *Dreams and Visions: Understanding your dreams and how God can use them to speak to you today*, by Jane Hamon, published 2000 (available at the Gospel Q bookstore in Sheraton Centre) and it is excellent. It is the first book of its kind I have read, and it confirmed much that the Lord had already taught me. Many years ago during a time of fasting and prayer the Lord said to me "Pay attention to your dreams, for in them I will speak", and since then He has indeed often spoken to me through dreams. I am positive that He similarly desires to speak to many of us today in like manner, and so I encourage those of you who are aware that the Lord speaks to you in that way, or who are interested in the subject, to buy the

book.

Please note that a dream (images seen when sleeping) or a vision (images seen when awake) from God is just one of many ways He speaks to us (He also speaks through fellow believers, through His Spirit in our hearts, through His Word, through our spouses, or even audibly through a voice or an angel) and we must be careful to discern if a dream is just sourced from our flesh or the evil one, and wait on the Lord for its interpretation; for more information read the book I recommended or search the scriptures to see the many ways God spoke to saints of the past through dreams.

Well that's it for now. God bless you all richly.

Philip

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**From:** Philip Corbin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2004 6:59 PM  
**To:** Christian Fellowship  
**Subject:** Some interesting dreams

**Greetings all in the Blessed, Bright, and Beautiful Name of JESUS!**

The Lord recently gave me 2 dreams - both about walking in Him and wearing the correct "gospel shoes". In one, which I shared in an earlier email, I was walking with a group of Christians and my shoes (sandals with an open back) were in danger of coming off as I walked in mud. Many of the other Christians with me were losing their shoes in the mud and having to go back and retrieve them from the mud. I felt the Lord saying I have to bind my gospel shoes (Ephesians 6) closer to my feet as I go through the "mud" of the world - that the shoes I had been wearing were slipping off my feet too easily and that I should get a better pair that would bind more closely to my feet.

In the second dream (the night of Sunday 25th July 2004), I was running and running, but without direction, going hither and thither trying to catch up with a group of Christians (who I believe represented where I should be in Christ), but I was only carrying white sneakers, not wearing them. At one point I had left the sneakers in a prison that had an open door and I was able to go back and retrieve them. Many were in the prison where I had left my shoes and I felt the prison represented where I have been in the past - the door of Christ has always been open but I never wanted to walk out - I was just content to sit in that prison. Praise God that Jesus has come to set the captives free (Isaiah 61:1).

Shortly thereafter I had another interesting dream. I was half-kneeling, bowed over (somewhat like the well-known pose of the man in "The Thinker" statue of Auguste Rodin, only I was kneeling rather than sitting) and in the dream it seemed as though I was bearing a load of invisible burdens on top my shoulders. Then I sensed an angel come by my side from behind me, and the verse Isaiah 9:6 went through my mind:

***"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."***

The angel spoke the words "It's **His** shoulder, not yours", and the dream ended. The interpretation was obvious - it is the Lord Who is to bear the government upon His shoulder, it is He Who is to bear our burdens, not us. I am not to be bowed over carrying burdens, but I am to let Him bear them.

Just thought I would share those dreams with you all. If you feel as though the enemy has you trapped in a prison, then it is time to put on the shoes of the Holy Spirit and walk out! Or if you feel that too much is on your shoulders, then "cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He will sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved" (Psalm 55:22) - let the government be upon His shoulder, not yours.

May God bless you all richly.

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*(April 2008 note): I also wrote the following around the same time in 2004: "the white sneakers in my second dream I feel represented the Holy Spirit - I must not just be carrying Him but have my feet encased in Him!!"*

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**From:** Philip Corbin  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 01, 2004 4:35 PM  
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**Subject:** The Gospel Shoes Dreams - Part III  
**Greetings all in the [Enduringing & Everlastingly Effectual](#) Name of **JESUS!****

Well I am growing hungry for more of God. A morning earlier this week I had the third in a series of Gospel-Shoes dreams that the Lord is using to really humble and challenge me.

The first concerned my loosely wearing my gospel shoes and therefore having great difficulty walking through the mud of this world and barely managing to keep them on.

The second saw me first running around in circles trying to catch up with others who represented where I should be in God (and by the end of the dream I still had not done so) with a pair of white shoes on my shoulder (which I felt afterwards represented walking in the Spirit) and not on my feet, and in my journey I had left them behind in a prison where many were gathered seemingly unaware that there was an open door to the outside world that they could go through (this prison seemed to represent a place of spiritual sleep and/or bondage that one can choose to sit in indefinitely instead of getting out through the open door of Christ); in the dream I re-traced my steps to the prison, collected the shoes, got out, finally put them on and continued but still had not reached where I should be by the close...

The third... I was invited by a stately kind gentleman (who I believe represented God) into a large house. I entered the front part of the house, the lobby, which was spacious and beautifully and ornately decorated (thinking now about it looked, it was somewhat of

a room in Buckingham palace), walking behind my host. I saw him go through a doorway at the other end of the lobby but as I neared the doorway to follow him through I suddenly realised that I only had on one shoe (a sandal) on my foot! I hurried back through the lobby, retracing my steps, and seeing other shoes that were not mine on the floor but not finding the one to match mine! I grew more and more frantic to find the shoe, conscious that I might not be able to find my host if I spent too long in the lobby looking for the shoe! Then, while I was still looking for the shoe, he reappeared by my side, having come back to look for me, and asked me what was the matter. The dream ended with me trying to explain that I was looking for my shoe, and as I woke up the interpretation came clearly to me. The house represented all God wanted to show me spiritually; many rooms of beauty yet await me to visit, but I am still in the lobby... still not properly outfitted with my gospel shoes, which in this case represented the spiritual gifts I am to have. The dream showed me that every Christian has a special pair of Gospel shoes that fit only that person - we each have a unique and special calling upon our lives in which we are to walk. The dream also showed me the gracious mercy of God - He does not leave his children floundering and lost but always returns to where we are at and encourages us on in the journey... we have such a wonderful and awesome Father God!!

Anyway... as I said earlier I have become more and more aware through these dreams of the challenge to get further in God, and of how I am yet a babe in Christ. Oh to grow closer to Him and experience His presence more! Oh to spend more time in prayer and in seeking His face!

Well I will stop here; let us press on together to know the Lord as is His desire for us (Hebrews 8:11)!

God bless you all!  
Philip