

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT PROPHETS?

Prophets: Purpose and Proof

(Deuteronomy 13:1-5 & 18:15-22)

Prophecies Are Truth Focused: Test Them

God's Specific Revelation is Complete Deuteronomy 18:15 The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers-it is to him you shall listen

Prophetic Teachings Point...to Jesus & His Word Deuteronomy 18:20 But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.

1. ...Not To Themselves - books, conferences, shows, ministries
2. ...Not To You - desires, wants, feelings, earthly lives
3. ...Not To the World - money, health, achievements
4. ...Not To Satan - false gospel, false gods, false worship
5. ...Not Away from the Word – partial & twisted truths, absence of truth

2 Peter 1:21 For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

God's Spirit Helps Us to Understand and Apply His Truths

- o **In the Present:** Listen & Obey, **For the Future:** Prepare & Watch

Prophecies Are Future Focused: Watch

Miracles and Wonders Evidence Prophecies, But Satan Counterfeits

Signs & Wonders, Miraculous Healings, Exorcisms & Demonic (paranormal, supernatural) Encounters, Death & Resurrection (Heaven & Hell accounts)

Prophetic Predictions Come True 100% of the Time, But People Lie Deuteronomy 18:22 when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You need not be afraid of him

The Truly Miraculous Is Always Connected with the Gospel Deuteronomy 13:1-3 If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, 2 and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass, and if he says, 'Let us go after other gods,' which you have not known, 'and let us serve them,' 3 you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams. For the LORD your God is testing you, to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul

Galatians 1:8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.