

So, you want to call someone a false prophet! Are you 100% sure? You had better be!

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Please pray about all this information without a preconceived, made-up mind in Jesus Christ's name I pray and ask. Try/Test the spirits and line this word up by the Word of God. (1 John 4:1-3; 13-15 & 1 Corinthians 12:3)

Let's talk about these key verses which cause so many people to sling stones at their brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus intending to kill or maim them.

Deuteronomy 18:21-22

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken?

22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Note: God didn't set a time limit when a word has to come to pass. *

How many people have been called false prophets or called someone else a false prophet because a word, dream, or vision didn't come to pass as originally given or as one assumed it would? You don't have to answer that. God already knows who has and who hasn't!

It would be best if one keeps their mouth shut before slinging railing accusations at one of God's little ones until you seek fully for His truth in these matters.

Do you realize that the prophetic word given to Hezekiah was an unconditional prophecy through Isaiah at the time it was given? Get your house in order, Hezekiah. This sickness is unto death... no "ifs" to this one! But because God is merciful and full of love and the fact that He is God, if he so chooses, he can change his heart at any given moment of time. Oh, and by the way... He did in this instance. One can see proof of this when He gave Hezekiah 15 more additional years. (2 Kings 20) He created and controls all time! He's God!

Here's my point. This is what God has been showing me and I feel led to share.

Why did God distinguish to Moses in Deuteronomy 18:22, the "If the thing follow not" and "come to pass" when most people assume they generally mean the same thing? One should never assume anything. Especially not when Jehovah God is involved. His ways are too high for us. (Isaiah 55:8-9)

Here are the definitions for these words:

Follow means to: go or come after (a person or thing proceeding ahead); move or travel behind.

To come to pass means: often indicates that what is happening is the result of a course of events.

Why is this important?

When Isaiah gave the prophetic word to Hezekiah that he was going to die, his death was foretold. Pronounced by Isaiah the prophet by God for him to deliver. Which he did. It was a true word from Jehovah God in Heaven. At this moment in time, He had not allowed his compassion and mercy for Hezekiah's prayers to change his heart because He being God knew already what was best for all involved.

But Hezekiah cried out unto God who was moved in His heart with compassion and love for his child King Hezekiah and a new word came forth. There was a change in God's heart toward Hezekiah's circumstances. The first given word from God given through Isaiah had now been changed to something that is different, yet still foretells the same end results. King Hezekiah shall still die but now at a later time.

But God is still God. God can't lie. He can't change. But here we now see prophetic words are not always as cut and dry as people demand them to be or as they "assume" they should be.

This changing of God's heart and not His mind, toward Hezekiah shows His great love for His Child Hezekiah. He was still appointed to die, but now it would be 15 years later. The word God gave Isaiah was still true. "Hezekiah, you're going to die," but the circumstances and timing surrounding it had now been altered. Even though God knew the end results beforehand of what this would cost Judah and Israel. They would become divided after his son Manasseh was born then ruled in his stead. God still granted him the additional years out of love.

I wanted to point out the fact that this given word by God didn't transpire as it first came forth. This doesn't make it a false word. It means we do not fully understand the magnitude of God's ways and His unconditional love for us. Did this make Isaiah a false prophet? He had given a word that changed. No, no it did not! Actually, the first word foretelling he was to die did come to pass when Hezekiah passed away 15 years later when his allotted time was up.

I asked God about this after hearing these accusations hurled my way time and time again. It used to bother me, but not anymore. I know to whom I belong to...Jesus Christ! I am "great" in this knowledge. He in love replied to me. He said this: If I being God can change My own prophetic word given, from it following and happening at one time for it to come to pass at a latter time, then what is it to man if I choose to do so again? For I am God? (Ecclesiastes 1:9; 3:15)

So, there you go. He's God and we're not.

If someone steps out and speaks words of untruth, a lie not given to them by God or His Son Jesus Christ, then they would rightly earn the title of false prophet. But please make sure enough time has passed and/or you have sought God earnestly in Jesus Christ's Name. You tested and tried the word lining up also with the Word of God to know if this was or wasn't a real word, dream, or vision sent from Him.

If a prophetic word has not occurred yet, it may very well be because there has been some form of change, and it has been God Almighty who has changed it. It can be dates, circumstances, people and/or foretold events. If this is the case then at some point the truth will be revealed. If you called this person who delivered the message from God a false prophet then realize this. You have just attacked God's anointed and that is a very dangerous thing to do for anyone. (Psalms 105:15; Matthew 18:5-7; Mark 9:41-43; Luke 17:1-3; Matthew 18:10) God does not take too kindly to anyone messing with His little children.

True words, dreams, and visions given to someone from Father God or Jesus Christ His Son that are spoken in their Name may not always come to pass as we understand or assume they should. God's timing is different from ours. It just might be that it has not come to pass yet on God's time clock, but it will at some time if it's truly from Heaven and not a false word, dream, or vision.

So, in a nutshell, here is what I have learned. Just because a word, dream, or vision doesn't occur or come to pass when we "supposed" or "assumed" it

should, doesn't mean it's a false word. It could be a prophetic word in waiting or even a word that God has changed Himself. Take it to Jesus Christ in prayer earnestly seeking His truth and you might be surprised by His response...if you will take time to listen to our totally amazing God of love. After all, why take a chance on incurring God's wrath upon you or even a curse? All because you picked on your own brother and sister in Jesus Christ when you didn't take time to seek His truth in this matter and you opened your own mouth in evil accusations. I'm just saying.....

Other related verses of God's prophetic words being changed by Him.

Amos 7; Jonah 3; Genesis 18:16-33; 1 Chronicles 21:15; Jeremiah 21:18-19

Deuteronomy 13:1-10 verses about false prophets whose actions lead you from God. (You are to watch the fruit and try the spirits of all. A true prophet will not lead you away from Jesus Christ and Father God.)

Deuteronomy 18:17-22 Warning about not following a true prophet of God's words and other warning about speaking in God's Name when not called or in other god's names. Or even speaking presumptuously in His Name. Remember not all prophecies happen immediately when spoken. Most do not and God can change anything He so chooses whether we like it or not. I say again, "He is God, and we are not!" You will know them by their fruit. (Matthew 7:16-20)

Learn to test and try the spirits in Jesus Christ's Name. Read and listen to the Word of God so you will know when what's being spoken is His truth or not. Protect yourself with the weapons He has provided for us. Do not forget though, if you judge someone harshly, you will receive the same harsh judgment from Father God's hands. So make sure you are 100% sure that someone is a false prophet before you speak and then make sure it is the sweet Holy Spirit leading you and not your own flesh wanting to do so.

God bless.

Stay under the Blood of Jesus Christ always.

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