

## ***“Prophetic Profanity”***

### **1 Kings 13**

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New American Standard Bible (NASB)

#### **Jeroboam Warned, Stricken**

**13** Now behold, there came **(A)**a man of God from Judah to Bethel by the word of the Lord, while Jeroboam was standing by the altar **(B)**to burn incense. **2 (C)**He cried against the altar by the word of the Lord, and said, “O altar, altar, thus says the Lord, ‘Behold, a son shall be born to the house of David, **(D)**Josiah by name; and on you he shall sacrifice the priests of the high places who burn incense on you, and human bones shall be burned on you.’” **3** Then he gave a **[a]**sign the same day, saying, “**(E)**This is the **[b]**sign which the Lord has spoken, ‘Behold, the altar shall be split apart and the **[c]**ashes which are on it shall be poured out.’” **4** Now when the king heard the saying of the man of God, which he cried against the altar in Bethel, Jeroboam stretched out his hand from the altar, saying, “Seize him.” But his hand which he stretched out against him dried up, so that he could not draw it back to himself. **5** The altar also was split apart and the **[d]**ashes were poured out from the altar, according to the **[e]**sign which the man of God had given by the word of the Lord. **6** The king said to the man of God, “Please **[f]****(F)**entreat the Lord your God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored to me.” So **(G)**the man of God **[g]**entreated the Lord, and the king’s hand was restored to him, and it became as it was before. **7** Then the king said to the man of God, “Come home with me and refresh yourself, and **(H)**I will give you a reward.” **8** But the man of God said to the king, “**(I)**If you were to give me half your house I would not go with you, nor would I eat bread or drink water in this place. **9** For so **[h]**it was commanded me by the word of the Lord, saying, ‘You shall eat no bread, nor drink water, nor return by the way which you came.’” **10** So he went another way and did not return by the way which he came to Bethel.

#### **The Disobedient Prophet**

**11** Now **(J)**an old prophet was living in Bethel; and his **[i]**sons came and told him all the deeds which the man of God had done that day in Bethel; the words which he had spoken to the king, these also they

related to their father. **12** Their father said to them, “[j]Which way did he go?” Now his sons [k]had seen the way which the man of God who came from Judah had gone. **13** Then he said to his sons, “Saddle the donkey for me.” So they saddled the donkey for him and he rode away on it. **14** So he went after the man of God and found him sitting under [l]an oak; and he said to him, “Are you the man of God who came from Judah?” And he said, “I am.” **15** Then he said to him, “Come home with me and eat bread.” **16** He said, “(K)I cannot return with you, nor go with you, nor will I eat bread or drink water with you in this place. **17** For a command *came* to me (L)by the word of the Lord, ‘You shall eat no bread, nor drink water there; do not return by going the way which you came.’” **18** He said to him, “(M)I also am a prophet like you, and (N)an angel spoke to me by the word of the Lord, saying, ‘Bring him back with you to your house, that he may eat bread and drink water.’” *But* (O)he lied to him. **19** So he went back with him, and ate bread in his house and drank water.

**20** Now it came about, as they were sitting down at the table, that the word of the Lord came to the prophet who had brought him back; **21** and he cried to the man of God who came from Judah, saying, “Thus says the Lord, ‘Because you have [m]disobeyed the [n]command of the Lord, and have not observed the commandment which the Lord your God commanded you, **22** but have returned and eaten bread and drunk water in the place of which He said to you, “Eat no bread and drink no water”; your body shall not come to the grave of your fathers.’” **23** It came about after he had eaten bread and after he had drunk, that he saddled the donkey for him, for the prophet whom he had brought back. **24** Now when he had gone, (P)a lion met him on the way and killed him, and his body was thrown on the road, with the donkey standing beside it; the lion also was standing beside the body. **25** And behold, men passed by and saw the body thrown on the road, and the lion standing beside the body; so they came and told *it* in the city where (Q)the old prophet lived.

**26** Now when the prophet who brought him back from the way heard *it*, he said, “It is the man of God, who [o]disobeyed the [p]command of the Lord; therefore the Lord has given him to the lion, which has torn him and killed him, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke to him.” **27** Then he spoke to his sons, saying, “Saddle the donkey for me.” And they saddled *it*. **28** He went and found his body thrown on the road with the donkey and the lion standing beside the body; the lion had not eaten the body nor torn the donkey. **29** So the prophet took up the body of the man of God and laid it on the donkey and brought it back, and he came to the city of the old prophet to

mourn and to bury him. **30** He laid his body in his own grave, and they mourned over him, *saying*, “**(R)**Alas, my brother!” **31** After he had buried him, he spoke to his sons, *saying*, “When I die, bury me in the grave in which the man of God is buried; **(S)**lay my bones beside his bones. **32 (T)**For the thing shall surely come to pass which he cried by the word of the Lord against the altar in Bethel and **(U)**against all the houses of the high places which are in the cities of **(V)**Samaria.”

**33** After this event Jeroboam did not return from his evil way, but **(W)**again he made priests of the high places from among **[q]**all the people; **(X)**any who would, he ordained, to be priests of the high places. **34 [r](Y)**This event became sin to the house of Jeroboam, **(Z)**even to blot *it* out and destroy *it* from off the face of the earth.

Who do you trust?

Who do you listen to?

What is the true meaning of life?

What is the “best” way to live???

### **Ecclesiastes 1:1-2 ..... Everything Is Meaningless**

**1** The words of the Teacher, son of David, king in Jerusalem: **2** “Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher. “Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless.”

### **Ecclesiastes 12:12-14**

**12** Be warned, my son, of anything in addition to these words of wisdom. Of making many books there is no end, and much study wearies the body. **13** Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. **14** For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.

**Acts 1:8** = ...YOU will be MY witnesses...

**Matthew 28:19** = Go and MAKE DISCIPLES of all nations...

**PERSUADE:** (per Webster's 1828 Dictionary) Root word = to "urge" or "incite"

**Definition:** To influence by argument or advice; to draw or incline the will to a determination by presenting motives to the mind.

**Deut. 13:1-5** (see: "the devil comes disguised as an angel of light")

**Deuteronomy 13:1-5 (Shun Idolatry)**

**13** "If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, **2** and the sign or the wonder comes true, concerning which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods (whom 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 find out if you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. **4** You shall follow the Lord your God and fear Him; and you shall keep His commandments, listen to His voice, serve Him, and cling to Him. **5** But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has counseled rebellion against the Lord your God who brought you from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, to seduce you from the way in which the Lord your God commanded you to walk. **So you shall purge the evil from among you.**

**Jeremiah 14:14** = false prophets "say" speaking for God BUT are NOT!

**14** Then the Lord said to me, "The prophets are prophesying falsehood in My name. I have neither sent them nor commanded them nor spoken to them; they are prophesying to you a false vision, divination, futility and the deception of their own minds.

Jer. 6:27-28 = real prophet's job (to test men's hearts)

"I have made you a tester of metals among my people, that you may know and test their ways. **28** They are all stubbornly rebellious, going about with slanders; they are bronze and iron; all of them act corruptly.

**Ez. 3:17** = prophets warn sinners

the word of the Lord came to me: **17** ("Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me.

**Deut. 17-20** – link to Paul in Acts 20/Eph. 4/Rev.2/Jesus' words...

**17** The Lord said to me... **18** I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers; **I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him.** **19** If anyone does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name, I myself will call him to account. **20** But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded him to say, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, must be put to death."

**Ephesians 4:11-13**

**11** It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, **12** to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up **13** until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

**Acts 20:17-21** (Paul's farewell to the Ephesians Elders)

...Paul sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. **18** And when they came to him, he said to them: "You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, **19** serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the

Jews; **20** how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, **21** testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Revelation 2:** (Letter to the church at Ephesus)

### **To the Church in Ephesus**

**2** "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands: **2** I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. **3** You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

**4** Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love.

**5** Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. **6** But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

**7** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who conquers or overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

## **VIDEO: Truly "KNOWING" (Yada) God**

### **Luke 14:25-33**.... Jesus DEFINES " **The Cost of Being a Disciple**

**25** Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: **26** "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. **27** And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

**28** "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? **29** For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, **30** saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

**31** "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand?

**32** If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. **33** In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.

**1 John 4:1** = test all spirits... many are false!

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

### **Matthew 7:13-23**

- A. Broad vs. Narrow Gate
- B. Broad vs. Narrow Path
- C. Resumes vs. Relationships
- D. "Know" vs. "Known"
- E. Rock vs. Sand
- F. Wise vs. Fool
- G. Lost vs. Found!

**Jeremiah 1** (say: Peace, Peace when there is no peace.)

**The Call of Jeremiah....** **4** The word of the Lord came to me, saying, **5** "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born **I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."**

**9** Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched **(R)** my mouth and said to me, "Now, **I have put my words in your mouth.** **10** See, **today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms** *to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.*"

**Ephesians 2:8-10**

**8** For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; **9** not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. **10** For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

**1 Kings 13:18**

**18** He said to him, "**I also am a prophet like you, and an angel spoke to me by the word of the Lord, saying, 'Bring him back with you to your house, that he may eat bread and drink water.'**" **But he lied to him.**