

Christ's words:
Wherefore behold,
I send unto you prophets, & wise men, & scribes:
& some of them ye shall kill & crucify;
& some of them ye shall scourge in your synagogues,
& persecute them from city to city:
35-That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth,
from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias,
whom ye slew between the temple & the altar.
Matthew 23:34-35

To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear?
behold, their ear is uncircumcised,
and they cannot hearken:
behold, the word of the Lord is unto them a reproach;
they have no delight in it.
Jeremiah 6:10

True Prophet/False Prophet

Rather than opening with my own commentary, I'll start by listing the scriptural commonalities among the 2 groups of topic here-the authentic prophet of God vs the counterfeit. Identifying the true prophet of God is imperative for the following reason:

Surely the Lord God will do nothing
but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.
Amos 3:7

The information revealed in this page is probably going to be extremely important to your spiritual survival, so please read it with care.

True Prophet

MOSES:

For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the Lord, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands. Deuteronomy 31:29

ELIJAH:

And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.
22 Then said Elijah unto the people, I, even I only, remain a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men. 1Kings 18:21-22

And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there. 1Kings 18:40

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword.

2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. 2Kings 19:1-2

And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

2Kings 1:10

ISAIAH:

Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honourable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.

14 Therefore hath she enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it. Isaiah 5:13-14

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

21 Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Isaiah 5:20-21

JEREMIAH:

....O foolish people, and without understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not....Jeremiah 5:21

How do ye say, We are wise, and the law of the Lord is with us? Lo, certainly in vain made he it; the pen of the scribes is in vain. Jeremiah 8:8

EZEKIEL:

Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? Ezekiel 18:31

HOSEA:

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Hosea 4:6

JOEL:

Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth. Joel 1:8

AMOS:

They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly. Amos 5:10

MICAH

The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity. Micah 7:4

ZEPHANIAH

That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness.....Zephaniah 1:15

HAGGAI

Now therefore thus saith the Lord of hosts; Consider your ways.

6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

7 Thus saith the Lord of hosts; Consider your ways. Haggai 1:5-7

ZECHARIAH

Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened. Zechariah 11:17

MALACHI

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Malachi 3:8-9

CHRIST:

(to his unbelieving siblings)

The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil. John 7:7

False Prophet

Her prophets are light & treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law. Zephaniah 3:4

Her priests have violated my law, & have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy & profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean & the clean, & have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, & I am profaned among them. Ezekiel 22:26

12 They have belied the Lord, and said, It is not he; neither shall evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine:

13 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

14 Wherefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts, Because ye speak this word, behold, I will make my words in thy mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.

Jeremiah 5:12-14

13 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

14 They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. Jeremiah 6:13-14

16 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of **the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the Lord.**

17 They say still unto them that despise me, The Lord hath said, Ye shall have peace; and **they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.**

Jeremiah 23:16-17

If any of you believes that Old Testament Godly wrath is not applicable to our post-crucifixion generation, read the following to get a more legitimate handle on TRUTH:

The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: **in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.**

21-I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

Jeremiah 23:20-21

The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he hath done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: **in the latter days ye shall consider it.** Jeremiah 30:24

31 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith.

32 Behold, **I am against them that prophesy false dreams,** saith the LORD, and do tell them, **and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness;** yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD. Jeremiah 23:31-32

This is what Jeremiah had to say to the false prophet, Hananiah:

15 Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The Lord hath not sent thee; but **thou makest this people to trust in a lie.**

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, because **thou hast taught rebellion against the Lord.** Jeremiah 28:15-16

Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment. Lamentations 2:14

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the Lord;

3 Thus saith the Lord God; **Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!**

4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

5 **Ye have not gone up into the gaps**, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the Lord.

6 **They have seen vanity** and lying divination, saying, The Lord saith: and the Lord hath not sent them: and **they have made others to hope** that they would confirm the word.

7 **Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination**, whereas ye say, The Lord saith it; albeit I have not spoken?

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord God.

9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the Lord God.

10 Because, even because **they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace....**

Ezekiel 13:1-10

25 There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravaging the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

26 **Her priests have violated my law**, and have profaned mine holy things: **they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths**, and I am profaned among them. Ezekiel 22:25-26

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Not one of God's true prophets were light & inspirational. Everyone of them was heavily burdened & cautionary as they sadly watched their people make wrong choice after wrong choice. This is what Christ had to say to his disciples:

22-Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

23-Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets. Luke 6:22-23

But to the false leadership he cautioned:

Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

Luke 6:26

I'll close this page by providing the rules of the watchman that were spoken by God to his prophet Ezekiel:

Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

20 Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling-block before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul. Ezekiel 3:17-21