

Mt.7.15-20 “Beware of False Prophets” Pt 2
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INTRODUCTION:

The false prophets may be wrong both in their **T**_____ and their type of **L**_____.

Jesus first gives a W_____ & then calls us to be W_____

I. W_____ v.15

False prophets always find a **H**_____ & are encouraged by those **D**_____ with God’s ways. (Is.30.9–10).

They are called:

- ❖ false **B**_____ (II Co.11.26),
- ❖ false **A**_____ (II Co.11.13),
- ❖ false **T**_____ (II Pe.2.1),
- ❖ false **S**_____, that is, liars (I Ti.4.2),
- ❖ false **W**_____ (26.60), &
- ❖ false Christs (24.24).

*“Beloved, do **N**_____ believe every spirit, but **T**_____ the spirits...”* (I Jn.4.1).

Most people do **N**_____ want to hear the **T**_____.

1. THE **D_____ OF A FALSE PROPHET**

God’s true representatives have been marked by two things:

- ❖ they are divinely **C**_____, & they present a divine **M**_____.
- ❖ they are **C**_____ by God, & they declare the **M**_____ of God & only that message.

A true prophet is God’s **V**_____ to men. (Ex.4.10–12)

Most dangerously they claim to be **F**_____ God & to speak on His behalf:

- ✚ Je.5.30–31 -
- ✚ Je.14.14 -
- ✚ Je.23.14,16,21 -
- ✚ Ze.11.16 -

Such a shepherd is a greater danger to the flock than wild animals:

- ✚ This provides a picture of the **A**_____, - the prototype of all false prophets.

The greatest tragedy of Jonestown was not that nearly a thousand people died;

- but that they died believing they were **S**_____ God.
- In truth, they were serving **S**_____.

The scribes & Pharisees were classic examples of false **S**_____.

The scribes & Pharisees did not accept Jesus’ teaching because they were dedicated to **F**_____ rather than the **T**_____. (Jn.8.43–45,47; Ep.5.6; Co.2.8.)

CONCLUSION:

Beware W_____ of danger –

- we must be on **G**_____ against **False prophets**.
- They **P**_____ thinking & poison the **S**_____.
- False prophets are spiritual **B**_____

Peter & Jude call them *“irrational [unreasoning] animals.”* (II Pe.2.12; Jude 10)