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KAPONO: Would you join me in a word of prayer? Lord, we rejoice in who You are this morning. I just pray that we will never forget who You are, Lord, every single thing that You've done for our lives, Lord, and all that You will do. And we look forward to seeing You soon, Lord. But while we're still here, would You continue to speak to us, teach us, and may we learn and grow in Your word and share it with somebody. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PASTOR JD: Amen and amen. Good morning and welcome. And you can be seated. How are you doing today?

[ Congregant says, "Good!" ]

Okay, we'll take that one. Those of you online, we're so glad that you're joining with us. Trust that you'll be blessed that you are. We're going to get right to it. Our First Service is the Prophecy Update that we do weekly, have for years. Second Service is the sermon, a verse-by-verse study through the word of God.

And today we're going to finish the very long Book of Jude, all 25 verses of it. And so in so doing, we're going to look at how we keep ourselves in the love of God, who keeps us from falling and presents us without fault forever more. Very much looking forward to this, the last two verses of Jude. And so that will be livestreamed at 11:15 a.m. Hawaii time.

And for those of you online that are watching by way of YouTube or Facebook, you might want to make your way to the website, [JDFarag.org](http://JDFarag.org), for the uncensored and uninterrupted entirety of today's Update.

And with that, let's get started. I want to talk very candidly about a problem that should be taken very seriously in this the last hour of human history as we know it. And what I'm speaking of is the swiftness with which opposition, dissension, and division has increased specific to the teaching of Bible prophecy.

While the teaching of Bible prophecy is still rare and even nonexistent in the church today, if and when it's taught, it's rife with contention, dissension concerning what's being taught. And the problem is it's seemingly getting worse with each passing week, literally. And it's evidenced by all the arguing and infighting among students and teachers of Bible prophecy. I don't think that the enemy could be any happier.

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I mean, this alone is very telling by virtue of the fact that Satan is the author of confusion, the accuser of the brethren, and the father of lies. Think this through with me. Wouldn't it stand to reason that this is the reason that Bible prophecy would be one of the bull's eyes on his target, as it were, in firing his flaming arrows or missiles, depending on your translation? Why?

Well, the reason it's one of the bull's eyes in firing his flaming arrows is because he knows he has but a short time, which is why it's being revved up. You know, I'm choosing these words for a reason. And oh, by the way, Satan knows he has but a short time. Would to God that more Christians knew that we have but a short time. This explains, not excuses, why there's no urgency in the church today, urgency to get Jesus to people and people to Jesus.

Actually, the very fact that there's such dissension and contention is an indicator of just how short the time truly is, which is the impetus for what I want to accomplish today. What do I want to accomplish today? I want to provide all of us, myself included, a biblical and practical template in order to discern between what's true and what's false.

The good news is, thankfully, that God doesn't want us to be ignorant about Bible prophecy, which is why well-nigh one third of the Bible is prophecy. The Lord knows my heart when I say this and share this, but it is my hope and my prayer that God, as only He can, will enable and empower all of us, again, myself included, with much-needed clarity in addressing this most serious matter.

So that's what I want to accomplish today. I want to begin with a fascinating account starting in *Jeremiah 27*. For those of you that were with us through our study through *Jeremiah*, you might remember these two chapters, *27* and *28*, which we'll get to shortly.

But in *27*, the word of the Lord comes to *Jeremiah* and says to him, **“Make for yourself yokes, and put one of them on your neck.”**

What's a yoke? It's a wooden yoke that is put around the neck of the ox to bind them together, so they work to sort of enslave them and bound them as these workers. And so this literally happened, and this is what we affectionately refer to as a visual prophecy.

What's a visual prophecy?

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I mean, this actually happened in that Jeremiah did that which he was commanded of the Lord to do, and he made some wooden yokes, and he put one around his neck and wore it around town. That would get somebody's attention. Could you just hear the whispering behind his back? Ho! Did you see that necklace that Jeremiah's wearing? What's up with that?

Well, that was the whole point of this visual prophecy, was to get them talking and even asking, "Jeremiah, what's up with the yoke, man? Why are you wearing that thing around your neck?" To which Jeremiah would say, "I'm so glad you asked. Let me tell you why." Because that's why God had him do it. We'll come back to that in a second.

Now, he's not only to wear this yoke that he made, this wooden yoke around his neck, but he's also to send all the yokes that he made with messengers to the kings of Edom, Moab, Ammon, Tyre, and Sidon. Why?

Because all of these nations were banding together, allying together in order to defeat Babylon, the king of Babylon. So these messengers are to use these yokes to prophesy that God has given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon. And they're also to prophesy that God himself will punish any nation, any kingdom that refuses to put its neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon as these wooden yokes around their necks would symbolize prophetically.

If they refuse and choose to go against this prophecy, God makes it very clear in no uncertain terms that He will bring on them sword, famine, and pestilence until He has consumed them by His hand. Well, give that thing to me. I'll put it on because I am not going to let that happen.

And that's not all. They are also to warn them in advance that they're not to listen to their ensuing false prophets, diviners, dreamers, soothsayers, or sorcerers who will contradict this and oppose this. They even specify exactly how they'll do this when they start falsely prophesying, saying, quote, **"You shall not serve the king of Babylon."**

I know Jeremiah has been prophesying that. He's been posting Prophecy Updates on YouTube about that. Nah, it's not going to happen.

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Now, question: Why the specificity concerning these false prophets or false influencers? Because they prophesy a lie. They prophesy a lie. Now, these messengers, after telling them all this, they also tell them that God has prophesied this very same prophecy to Zedekiah, king of Judah.

In other words, Judah, along with you, Moab, Ammon, Tyre, Sidon, Judah too will come under the yoke of Babylon. And not only would the Jews be brought under the yoke of the king of Babylon, but so too would the vessels used in the temple in Jerusalem also be taken by the king of Babylon.

By the way, spoiler alert: We're going to start Daniel this Thursday, Lord willing. When we get to, I think it's about *Chapter 4* — you remember that account when King Nebuchadnezzar's grandson is getting drunk?

This, I mean, extended party, drinking out of these vessels that were taken to Babylon. Big mistake. Anyway, just you have to wait for like four, five, six, seven weeks, if the rapture doesn't happen first, before we get to that to see what happened. You know what happens.

But they took the vessels, too. So not only are the Jews going to be under the yoke of the king of Babylon, but so too are the vessels that were used in the temple are going to be also taken by the king of Babylon.

Now, would you agree that this prophecy would not be very popular? Who wants to hear that? I mean, it's posted on YouTube. It has like no views. It does have a few comments. And they're not very nice.

Because I mean really? Prophecy Update: You're going to be taken captive by the king of Babylon, and not only the Jews, but all of these other nations. And they're going to take all these vessels from the temple before they destroy the temple. And you're going to be taken captive into Babylon under the yoke of the king of Babylon. Have a nice day. In Jesus' name, Amen.

I don't want to hear that. And they didn't want to hear that. Well, let's fast-forward five months later, by the way. This is *Chapter 28*, and we're introduced to one of these false prophets that these messengers said would come right on schedule, right on time.

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So here's this false prophet. His name? Hananiah. And Hananiah does exactly what God prophesied would happen and starts prophesying. Watch this. **“Thus speaks the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, saying: [Oh, really? Saying what?] [Quote] ‘He has broken the yoke of the king of Babylon. [And] within two full years I will bring back all the vessels and all the captives.’** No worries.

Wow! Now we've got a big problem because the Prophecy Update Jeremiah previously posted was the polar opposite of this Prophecy Update that Hananiah just posted. And if this weren't bad enough, the comments on Jeremiah's social media platforms are scathing, calling him out as a false teacher.

And now we're faced with this dilemma: Who do I believe and how do I resolve this discrepancy? Because Jeremiah is over here saying one thing and Hananiah's over here is saying another. As we're about to see, God's going to resolve this quite graphically, incidentally, but He's going to start by having Jeremiah speak the word of God directly, prophetically, and even publicly to Hananiah.

And what he speaks is found in *Jeremiah Chapter 28:6* where he tells Hananiah, *[Listen to this]* **“Amen! The Lord do so; the Lord perform your words which you have prophesied.”**

Wait. What? He just prophesied falsely, diametrically opposed to that which God had you prophesy. God commanded you to prophesy that Israel would be brought under the yoke of the king of Babylon. And this guy's saying nah! That's not going to happen. And you're saying amen?

Is this Jeremiah, like with a sanctified sarcasm? Because if that's what it is, I would have totally done that. I mean, I'd be like — well, I'm not going to tell you what I'd be like because... I don't think it's really a sanctified sarcasm. I think it's really more that Jeremiah wishes Hananiah was right.

And Jeremiah, deep down inside wishes he was wrong, which is why he would say basically this: Hananiah? Amen. I would love nothing more than the Lord to do so as you have prophesied. The only problem is it's not going to happen.

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So I don't think — maybe there is some sanctified sarcasm. But I just —as we got to know Jeremiah in our study through that book, I just don't see him doing that. He was a very meek man. He's not affectionately referred to as the weeping prophet for nothing.

I think he's just heartbroken because he knows the truth. He knows he's right. Wishes he were wrong. Wishes Hananiah was right. That would be great if we're only two years out, but he knows that it's 70 years, not two years.

So what is Jeremiah going to do? Well, God has him remind Hananiah that when the word of the prophet comes to pass, he'll be known as a true prophet. That's the litmus test. And Hananiah knows that. Jeremiah's just reminding Hananiah of that.

Now, how's Hananiah going to respond? Is he going to be good with that and just leave it at that? Like, okay, Jeremiah, let's just see if it comes to pass. Then we'll know who the true prophet is. If what I prophesied comes to pass, I'm the true prophet, and you're not. If what I prophesied does not come to pass, then I am not a true prophet. I'm a false prophet, and you're a true prophet. And we'll know soon enough.

But Hananiah is not going to leave it at that. You know what he does? He arrogantly takes the yoke. Keep in mind, Jeremiah's wearing this wooden yoke around his neck. He takes it and breaks it. He takes this yoke on Jeremiah's neck, removes it from Jeremiah's neck, breaks it, and reports it. So Jeremiah's yoke video is removed for violating community guidelines.

[ Laughter ]

Just let me have it. I'm just trying to bring it into a contemporary context here. He then posts another video on social media. This is the Hananiah Prophecy Update channel. And this video update is a video of him actually doing this, taking and breaking Jeremiah's yoke. And I mean, this thing goes viral.

And in the video, he declares, **“Thus says the Lord: [After he's taken this yoke off of Jeremiah's neck and breaks it] [He says] ‘Even so I will break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years.’ “**

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And he said it just like that because I've got the video downloaded. Now, how's Jeremiah going to respond? Well, he's over it. He just walks away, only to have the word of the Lord come to him again. And the Lord tells Jeremiah to **“Go and tell Hananiah...”**

See, now if I'm Jeremiah, I'd be like, yeah, no, send somebody else. Did You see what he just did? I was just getting comfortable. It matched what I was wearing, this wooden yoke, that You had me make. I was declaring and prophesying as You had commanded me to. And here comes this Hananiah.

And it's a public spectacle, and he's prophesying the exact opposite of what You had me prophesy. And he's got all of these followers and subscribers, and everybody's blocking me and blaming me and slamming me and excoriating me. And now You want me to go back and talk to him after he did that? No. Which is why I'm not Jeremiah.

So what does Jeremiah do? He does what God tells him to do, and he goes to Hananiah and says, **“Thus says the Lord: You have broken the yokes of wood, but you have made in their place yokes of iron. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: “I have put a yoke of iron on the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him.”**

God said it. That settles it. Oh, and by the way, it's iron now. Try breaking that. Yeah. And he doesn't stop there. He then tells him — now, keep in mind, this is done publicly, prophetically, and directly, eyeball to eyeball, belly to belly. And he says, **“Hear now, Hananiah, the Lord has not sent you, but you make this people trust in a lie.”** You lie.

Oh, I like the strength of that. See, I could totally do that. God, if You got me doing that, I'm in. Where do I sign? Because I can do that. You're a false teacher! (Shouting) How about that? Ha-ha! I'd have way too much fun with it, which is why God probably would never call me or command me to do it. That's not the Lord. You're not of the Lord. You're not sent by the Lord. What you just did; you're causing God's people to trust in a lie that will never happen, and they will comfort themselves as such. And you're wrong. And I'm calling you out.

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Boy, this is something that you will not see in the church today, the sanctified strength of calling false teachers out for what and who they really are, false teachers. Now, Jeremiah's not done yet. God's got more for him to say to this Hananiah.

He continues. **“Therefore thus says the Lord: ‘Behold, I will cast you [Hananiah] from the face of the earth. This year you shall die because you have taught rebellion against the Lord.’ “**

Wow! So what happened? Did He? Yeah. *Jeremiah 28:17*: Hananiah dies exactly as Jeremiah prophesies, get this, two months later.

Man, I would — I would have loved to have been a fly on one of those yokes on one of those people, if they were wearing them because I would have loved to have seen the look on Hananiah's face.

You know what, Hananiah? You're not of the Lord. You're not sent by the Lord. You're a false prophet. And you have taught the people to go against God and against, in rebellion, the Lord. And you've caused God's people to trust in something that is not only false, it's an outright lie. And for that, you're gonna die.

And I find it ironic that Hananiah would falsely prophesy specifically “within two full years.” Oh really, Hananiah? In two months you're going to die.

Am I having too much fun with this still? No? Are we okay? You're having fun with it too, so don't look at me all spiritual like that.

Okay, Pastor fancy pants, why are you starting out this way? Because in this account, we're provided with several ways in which to discern between the Jeremiahs and the Hananiahs in these last days. And oh, by the way, they are alive and well today.

So if you'll kindly allow me to, I'll build this aforementioned template upon the foundation of this account in order that all of us, again, myself included, can discern between truth and what's false. And please know that while it's not exhaustive, it is practical, usable, and infinitely more importantly, biblical.



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So what follows is a five-question template to ask and answer when faced with the opposing and dissenting prophecy teachings from Jeremiahs who say one thing and Hananiahs who say another.

Example: A lot of so-called prophecy teachers — I never say prophecy experts — and please do not refer to me as a prophecy expert. I'm a prophecy teacher. Why? Because I'm a Bible teacher. And a third of the Bible is prophecy, so I'm also a prophecy teacher. Okay, I happen to really like Bible prophecy too.

But this whole expert thing — because this prophecy expert suggests that we're already in the Tribulation. But then I go to this guy's channel, he's going, no, we're not in the Tribulation yet. This guy says the seals have already been opened. This guy says, no, the seals have not been opened or broken yet. This guy says, no, the rapture is going to happen pre-Wrath not pre-Tribulation. And this guy is over here directly opposing that, saying, no, the Rapture has to happen before the 7-year Tribulation.

In other words, you've got a lot of Jeremiah channels and a lot of Hananiah channels. And what are you going to do? Well, I've got five questions for you and for me too.

Question number 1: Is what I'm being told or taught something that I like to hear and want to hear, or is it something I need to hear and it's hard to hear? You've got to know that what Jeremiah was prophesying was hard to hear. Nobody wanted to hear it. And when Hananiah falsely prophesied, they're like, yeah, that's more like it! I think I'll go to your church, Hananiah. What's the address?

This is 2 Timothy 4, by the way. You know it well. I'll read the first four verses. **“In the presence of God [Paul, by the Spirit writes to Timothy] and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of His appearing [Rapture] and His kingdom [Second Coming] I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage — with great patience and careful instruction.**

**[And here's why] For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers [Like Hananiahs] to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.”**

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Lies. In other words, they're going to — they will not stand for it. They will not tolerate a Jeremiah in the last days. It will mark the last days. There will be an intolerance.

That's an interesting word to use in that context, isn't it? Intolerance. They're intolerant. Won't put up with anyone who dares to preach the word and the sound doctrine of God's word of truth, even though it is unpopular and extremely uncomfortable.

And what are they going to do instead? Oh, they're going to leave, penalize, punish, talk, stink about that church, and they're going to go to another church in great numbers that will say what their ears are itching to hear. Yeah, this is much more palatable. This is much more acceptable. This is much more tolerable. I can — I can do this. And they will have no shortage of people sitting in those seats and parking in those parking lots.

*Jeremiah Chapter 5:31. “The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests rule by their own power. [And listen to this] And My people love to have it so. [They love it] But [Question] what will you do in the end?” [When it turns out that it wasn't true but false?]*

But again, this thing of God's people loving the false prophets: Why do they love the false prophets? Because the false prophets were telling them what they want to hear.

♪ Tell me lies ♪

♪ Tell me lies ♪

♪ Tell me sweet little lies ♪

I will not sing that song, nor do I want to. I already did. I'm so sorry.

[ Laughter ]

Jesus, please get that out of the minds, mine, especially. *Isaiah 30*, beginning in *verse 9*.

**“...this is a rebellious people, lying children, children who will not hear the law of the Lord; who say to the seers, “Do not see,” and to the prophets, “Do not prophesy to us right things. Speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits. [In other words, don't tell me the hard truth] [Tell me a smooth lie] Get out of the way. Turn aside from the path. Cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.”**

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In other words, stop. I will not hear it. I will not put up with it. I will not tolerate it. It's the truth. But it's hard. I don't want to hear it. I want you to stop prophesying it, and instead, you only prophesy what we tell you you can prophesy.

And we're going to police you, by the way, just so you know. We've got people that are watching your videos that you put up. And if you start talking about these “right” things, hard things, we're going to email you and say start speaking “smooth” things.

And for the Israelites to say this about and to the prophets, Jeremiah being one, Isaiah being one Ezekiel being one, and the many others with them: Stop. We don't want to hear it. We don't like what we hear. So get out of the way and cause the Holy one of Israel to cease from before us. We don't want to hear it. We want nothing to do with it. The only thing that we're going to listen to is those who will speak to us smooth things.

*Proverbs 27:6, “Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are [Listen] deceitful.”*

I know you're my friend if you'll speak the truth to me, knowing full well that it will probably be hard and hurt me and wound me, knowing full well that you're jeopardizing our relationship. Because if you speak the truth to me, I may initially resent it, but eventually I'll appreciate it.

And conversely, if you don't speak the truth to me and only tell me what I want to hear and multiply kisses, you're deceiving me. And that means you don't love me. You love yourself more than me. So you won't tell me the truth. And I might appreciate it initially, but eventually I'll resent it. Why didn't you say something? Why didn't you tell me the truth?

Because I didn't want to hurt you.

No, hurt me. Because “**faithful are the wounds of a friend.**” And they can be trusted. I mean, it's the truth. And the truth hurts. And the truth is hard. And the truth is not smooth. But I want — if you will — I know my wife really loves me, by the way because she'll speak truth to me.

In fact, I think I shared this Thursday night. I'm like, honey, there's only so much a man can take. Just — I know you love me. Just give me a little bit of a break here.

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Question number 2: Is what I'm being told or taught moving me closer to Jesus, or is it instead moving me closer to a man and further away from Jesus?

*Acts Chapter 20* is one of the hardest passages of Scripture to read, let alone teach. I'll begin in *verse 29*. You'll bear with me. This is the Apostle Paul saying, **“I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them.”**

They want you to follow them on social media. They want you to subscribe and click that “like” button. But here's the problem: They're — they're wolves in sheep's clothing, and you'll know it because — here's the test — they're not drawing you closer or moving you closer to Jesus. They're distancing you further away from Jesus and creating a cult-like dependance on them because they're drawing away disciples after themselves.

So Paul goes on. And this is the hard part. It's painful, actually. He says. **“So be on your guard! Remember that for three years [Three years] I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.”**

I picture the Apostle Paul weeping bitterly, knowing that this is what was going to happen. These wolves are going to pick off the flock of God mercilessly, relentlessly, not sparing even one sheep. It's kind of like the messengers that Jeremiah sent with the yoke, saying after we leave, there's going to come Hananiahs. They're false. They're wolves. And they will not spare you. They will, in fact, devour you. And (Sighing)

I could tell you a story after story of lives destroyed, marriages destroyed, churches destroyed, children, young people destroyed, don't want anything to do with God or the things of God. They'll never darken the door of a church again because of this.

*2 Peter Chapter 1:21*, **“For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”**

In other words, you know, it's the Lord if it draws you nearer to the Lord. And the Holy Spirit will only do that. If there's a prophecy teacher who has come up with something and of his own accord, his own will, his own spirit, it's not the Holy Spirit. And how are you going to know? Because the origin of it is not from man but from God through man.

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*Deuteronomy 13:5*, **“But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be [This is called a deterrent, by the way] shall be put to death [That's a deterrent] [That's what happened to Hananiah] [Why?] because he has spoken in order to turn you away from the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of bondage, to entice...”**

Can I say seduce? Very seductive.

Let me share a true story. This was many years ago. I'm flipping through the channels — this is back when I watched TV — and I come across a Christian station. And Joel Osteen is there on the screen. And I was kind of new to this guy, had heard about him, but I never really listened to the guy.

So I thought, you know what? I'm going to give this guy a listen. Oh my goodness! I mean, I thought I was, you know, solid. And of course, as the pastor, I should be sound and solid and discerning. But I mean, I'm like, wow! Tell me more. I was getting mesmerized and hypnotized and brought into this whole thing about “God has a potential for your life.”

And I'm like, He does? And yes, and He wants you to be rich like me and the other guys that need a ninth jet. And I'm like, wow! I found I'm — and then the Holy Spirit is writhing inside of me, going, change the channel, turn it off, or do something! Hurry! Before it's too late! Cause I'm getting — I'm just getting taken in and captivated by this, this teaching.

And I'm just like, wow! And I could see how easy it would be for somebody to just.... Yeah! Preach it Hananiah!

[ Laughter ]

It was very seductive. It was very enticing. But the problem is, **“...it's to entice you from the way in which the Lord, your God commanded you to walk. So you shall put away the evil from your midst.”**

And turn that channel off. That's not in the original. I added that for emphasis.

*Jeremiah 23:16-17*, **“Thus says the Lord of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you worthless. They speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of the Lord. They continually say to those who despise**

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**Me, 'The Lord has said, "You shall have peace" [Your best life now] And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.'"**

Come on, it's safe and effective.

Is it too early for that? I think three people caught that. Let me try that again actually. I don't have permission to move on. In other words, don't listen to those who say, "the Lord spoke to me."

Wow! I wish He would speak to me. You know what the worst is? Is when they say, "The Lord spoke to me about you."

I'm like, what are we not on speaking terms, God and I? Why didn't He tell me? Is He mad at me? He told you to tell me? Is He giving me the silent treatment?

Yes. The Lord spoke to me.

Did He speak audibly? Because I've never — I'm not dismissing it, but I've never had God speak audibly. I've had God just speak to my heart unmistakably. And it was His voice. I, the sheep recognize their Shepherd's voice.

That's a thing, by the way, with sheep. Their ears are tuned to the voice of their specific shepherd. They know their shepherd's voice. So you bring in a different shepherd. They don't recognize the voice, and they freak out. So as the sheep of His flock, we know His voice. And so when He speaks, it's always through His word.

But that's not what this is. They're speaking like this. "The Lord spoke to me." And the Lord didn't speak to them. Well, then what are they talking about? **"No evil shall come upon you."**

They said the Lord spoke to them, that no evil shall come upon you. Now, that wasn't the Lord. That was the dictates of their own evil, deceitful heart, which Jeremiah says is deceitfully wicked, beyond hope. We better keep moving.

Question number 3: Is what I'm being told or taught manipulation or exploitation greedily geared to get me to buy something from them or give something to them? I mean, this is a biggie. I mean, they're all biggies.

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And again, these are not — this is not exhaustive. There are many other, you know, ways to discern. But this one, this is a — this is a biggie (Chuckling) Because they're in it for the money.

*2 Peter Chapter 2:1-3* **“But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive [Destructive] heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them— bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. [Discredited] [Why? Greed]**

*[Verse 3]* **In their greed these teachers will exploit you...**” with stories they've made up, the dictates of their own heart.

It's myth. It's fiction. And then Peter encourages us by saying, “Their condemnation has been long hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping.” In other words, it's awake and ready, and it's not taking a nap. Jude, which we'll finish today, Lord willing, *verse 11*. We studied this verse by itself, devoted the entire teaching to just this verse.

**“Woe to them! [A curse] [Why?] Because they've taken the way of Cain. they have rushed for profit [Greedily] into Balaam's error. They have been destroyed in Korah's rebellion.”**

*Proverbs 28:25*. This is very interesting. I looked it up in the original language, depending on the translation that you have. Listen to this Proverb. **“A greedy man stirs up strife, but the one who trusts in the Lord will be enriched.”**

I just want to go on record. I hope this doesn't come off wrong, but you will never hear — I was going to say radio or television, but we've been taken off and censored, so I guess you wouldn't hear it anyway — at the end of a broadcast where we're saying, “If you want to keep this teaching on the air, you need to give.”

To which I say, “Maybe that teaching should not stay on the air.” Have you thought about that? Or how about at the end? You know you're — you're being kind of — is this okay if I say this — butted up. I know there's probably other better...

You're being worked, man. You're being manipulated. You're being coerced and sold on their latest book! Man, didn't you just come out with a book like last month?

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Yeah. We're doing one a month now. For \$19.95, you too can know the revealed, hidden secrets and keys of Bible prophecy that nobody else knows but me. I did that too good, didn't I?

Or it's subscribe to my — is it called Patreon or... You know, hey donate, or hey, you know, God loves a cheerful giver. And I mean they'll take it as far as they need to. Stop!

You know, that is actually one of the main reasons that when I started this church 20 years ago. Wow! 20 years! Wait. Give me a moment here. Yeah. Wow! 20 years. Ho! I got a lot of miles on me. That explains a lot.

But I made the decision after seeking the Lord that we would never even so much as pass around a plate or a bag to receive an offering. In fact, I was so hypersensitive to this, I would cringe when I would hear pastors — nothing wrong with that — but I would cringe when I would hear a pastor say, “At this time, we're going to take the offering.”

You ain't taking nothing, man. Ha! Right? And it's kinda like — and then they give a whole sermon on giving and tithing. The only place in the Bible where God says, **“Test Me in the tithes and the offerings.”**

And by the time they're done, you're like, here, take my paycheck. You know, a compulsive spender? There's such a thing as a compulsive giver. And Paul, by the Holy Spirit, makes it very clear God doesn't want you to give compulsively. He wants you to give cheerfully of your own volition. It's a get-to not a got-to. So I made the decision early on that we would never do that.

So we've — in fact, I bought one of those brass mailboxes from Home Depot, you know, that you put for your mail on the outside of your house. And I — it wasn't even — we actually had to lean something up to keep it up, but we put it on a folding table, and that was our tithes and offerings. And then people just gave cheerfully. And we — the only time we talk about money, except for today, is when we're in a place in God's word, we're God's word talks about money.

And oh, by the way, just the New Testament alone — do you realize that Jesus talked more about money than He did heaven and hell combined? So at this time we will receive an offering from — no.



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[ Laughter ]

I better — I just....

Question number 4. We're getting there. Just hang on. Is what I'm being told or taught ubiquitous or ambiguous? In other words, is it clearly taking place and actually happening, or is it too vague to know if it's taking place and actually happening? Perhaps better asked: Does the prophecy teaching accurately represent the reality of what's actually happening, or does it seem disenfranchised and even disconnected from the reality of what's actually happening?

Example: In 2020, as many of you know, I — I did not hold back. I mean, I couldn't. And I just — I spoke the truth even though it was unpopular. And I knew it was just — as I titled the Prophecy Update — I think three weeks ago — 'Too Unbelievable To Be True,' which is why people would buy the lie. It was just too unbelievable. No way!

Way.

No, that can't be.

It is.

No, they would never do that.

They did.

And then I would get the, you know, expected — just I mean, you know, you're cheese gone slid off your cracker stuff, and — which is sad because I really like cheese and crackers. But in other words, you've lost it.

And then emails or comments would start trickling in. You know, I thought you were crazy. And then what you said in that Prophecy Update six months ago — it's happening. So I started listening to you again. (Chuckling)

In other words, you stopped listening to me because that's just way too crazy. You're crazy. You've lost your mind. And then it actually represented the reality of what was actually happening. And so I thought maybe I better listen to this guy again.

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That's the question that I'm presenting to you as a way to gauge whether or not something is true or false, a teacher is true or false.

If — here's another example on the other side of that. 2020: You had pastors talking about the type of sandals that Jesus wore. This is a — I'm being — I'm using that as a — if you got a better one, just let me know.

But I mean — so you know, the world is changing, never to be the same again. People are losing their jobs, they're losing their lives, they're losing their livelihoods, everything. And you get up there on a Sunday morning, and you're talking about the sandals that Jesus wore.

Wow. You are so disconnected from reality. And then you even have the audacity to start talking about something that is — what? Nonsensical would be an understatement. It doesn't — it's so disconnected from the reality of what's actually happening.

And that's the question you need to ask yourself. Is what they're teaching, is what they're saying, is it happening? Or is it just so, you know... It could be. They're non-committal. They're not — they won't commit. You know, we could be, you know, here for another 50 years.

To which I say, see ya! Wouldn't want to be ya. No, no you're not. And no, we're not. Do you see what's happening?

*Deuteronomy 18:21-22*, quickly. **“You may say to yourselves, “How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the Lord?” [Here's how, verse 22] If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously. Do not be afraid of him.”** Perhaps better said: Do not subscribe to his channel and follow him.

*Jeremiah 28:8–9*. This was the chapter we just went over. This is when Jeremiah is talking to Hananiah directly, publicly. He says, **“The prophets who have been before me and before you of old prophesied against many countries and great kingdoms—of war and disaster and pestilence. As for the prophet who prophesies of peace, when the word of the prophet comes to pass, the prophet will be known as one whom the Lord has truly sent.”**

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Flip that around. If what he's teaching or saying to you does not happen or is not happening, it's not the Lord. The Lord didn't send him. The Lord hasn't called him.

Question number 5: Is what I'm being told or taught consistent with and compatible with end times Bible prophecy specific to the demonic deception that leads many astray and away from the Lord?

Let me explain briefly. Bible prophecy chiefly, supremely describes the number one sign of the end being deception. So whenever somebody is teaching Bible prophecy, if it's nothing to do with or talk about this deception, I assure you, on the authority of God's holy word, it's not the Lord. They're not from the Lord because that's the number one sign.

Listen to *Deuteronomy 13*. Oh, wait. I already did this one. Did I? I did. What's it doing here?

[ Laughter ]

Oh, this is maybe a sign from God saying, "Finish the thing already." Where am I? I lost my place. Hang on. Thank you for your grace. I lost my place. Oh, good. Here we go. Oh, thank You, Jesus.

Okay, you know what I'm going to do? I'm going to — I'm going to draw your attention to *Matthew 24*. Jesus is speaking, responding to the disciples who are asking Him what shall be signs of Your coming, the end of the age, when You return?

And what Jesus answers with, in verses 4-5, is **"Take heed that no one deceives you."**

Number 1 on His list. And He says even why, *verse 5*. **"For many will come in My name saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."**

**"For false Christs [*Later on, Matthew 24:24-25*] ...false Christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. See, I have told you beforehand."**

Be forewarned. Just like He warned the messengers, warned Judah that false prophets would come, and they even told them this is what they're going to say. And I'm going to tell you beforehand. So when, not if, they do, you'll be able to recognize them. Don't be deceived.

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Okay. Before we go any further, I think I'd be grossly remiss were I not to humbly submit myself and my teachings to these questions. I'm a pastor and Bible teacher of Bible prophecy. But the onus is still on you to search God's word and not just take my word for it.

That's another one, by the way, when they have the final word, you have to go to them, that's not the Lord. They, I should be encouraging you to search the Scriptures for yourself, examine the Scriptures for yourself to see if what I'm teaching is true.

This is *Acts 17:11*. **“Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day...”** [*They searched the Scriptures daily*] [*Be in the Word daily*]

We don't live in a world that is forgiving of you not being in the Word daily. If there was ever a time to be in the word of God, that time is now. I honestly do not know, and I don't want this to come off wrong.

I just say this in love. I don't know how a Christian can survive, let alone thrive in these days in which we find ourselves living, absent being in the word of God and prayer. The word of God and prayer. I don't know how you're going to do it. Search the Scriptures daily **“...to see if what Paul said was true.”**

Search the Scriptures daily to see if what JD said was true. I will not be personally offended by it. I don't think. (Chuckling) We'll find out, I guess. No, I won't.

Now, for the benefit of those who are new to Bible prophecy and/or new to our Prophecy Updates, I'll take the remainder of our time, not much time, to bring you up to speed, with great speed, as it were. But we're going to end the — you didn't think we were going to do that, did you, at this point? Well, we are now. Bye!

What follows is a summary listing of the main prophecy teachings from this pulpit, chiefly starting in 2020 with the demonic deception of COVID 19 and the so-called vaccine. By way of a preface, I've condensed it to seven in the interest of time, and for the sake of simplicity and in so doing, I'm framing them in the context of “search Scripture” to see if this is true. And by the way, all that I'm about to say can be found in the *Book of Revelation*, which is the book we're going to be starting, Lord willing, next Sunday.

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Question number 1: No, not question number 1. That was before. Wow! I should end this Update. I should have ended it when it ended. But anyway... Search scripture concerning Covid-19 being made for this so-called “vaccine” instead of this so-called “vaccine” being made for Covid-19.

Number 2: Search scripture about how this so-called “vaccine” is causing the deaths of hundreds of thousands of people and injuring countless more. By the way, that's conservative. Some suggest it's in the millions,

Number 3: Search scripture to see if it's true that “vaccinating” the world's population ultimately connects the entire world to a digital system, which is a prophecy in the Bible.

Number 4: Search scripture and find prophecy about this system being a biometric ID, using AI as a verification in order for one to buy and sell. *[Revelation 13]*

Number 5: Search scripture pertaining to a one-world economy, religion, and government and see if it fits with the World Economic Forum's Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Number 6: Search Scripture related to the Great Reset/Great Awakening/Great Delusion *[2 Thessalonians 2]* ultimately taking place when it's fulfilled in the Great Tribulation.

Number 7, lastly: Search scripture to know the truth that this is the end and this ends in the pre-Tribulation rapture for those saved and the 7-year Tribulation for those not saved. I made this statement in March of 2020; I'll never forget it. I said this ends in the rapture for those of us that are born-again of the Spirit of God, March of 2020.

It's this last one that is of paramount importance, given that there is little, if any, time left to get Jesus to people and people to Jesus. And I want to take it a step further and say that we must get as many people as we can, as quickly as we can while we still can.

As I mentioned at the beginning, the impetus for the urgency is that we are literally on the eve of the pre-Tribulation rapture of the church and the commencement of the 7-year Tribulation. We are on the cusp. And this is why we do these Updates. This is why we end with the Gospel. This is why we do the ABCs of Salvation, which is just a childlike explanation of salvation.

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The A is just for admit or acknowledge that you're a sinner and you need the savior. *Romans 3:10* says, **“There is no one righteous,”** no one good. You might be good. You'll never be good enough. No one is good, not even one, save one, Jesus the Christ.

And *Romans 3:23* explains why there is no one righteous. It's because **“All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”** We've missed the mark. Now that we've broken the law, there's a penalty. What's the penalty? It's the death penalty. **“For the wages of sin is death, [Romans 6:23] but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”**

The B, very central, is for believe. Believe in your heart that Jesus Christ is Lord. *Romans 10:9* says, **“If you believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved.”** And then what is in the heart will come out of your mouth.

And that's the C. You confess with your mouth. You call upon the name of the Lord. *Romans 10:9* also says, **“If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”** Because **“...out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.”**

And lastly, *Romans 10:13* **“All who call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

You know, we've been doing these ABCs for — someone might need to correct me — four or five years now. Maybe? No, longer. Not 20 years, but probably at least six, seven years now, I think.

We'll never know this side of eternity how many people came to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ by simply sharing the Gospel. We have many people that write in and just — with testimonies about how they came to Christ because of the Gospel being presented simply and the simple, childlike explanation with the ABCs of salvation.

And that's the reason I chose today's “But God testimony.” It's more of a testimony that fits with today's Update. It's very powerful. It comes from a sister in Christ who wishes to remain anonymous, and we always respect that.

She writes, “Dear Pastor JD, thank you from the bottom of my heart for your recent prophecy update on March 3rd titled, 'What Are We Fighting For Again?' This topic has been

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heavy on my heart for the past few years. And I hoped you would talk about it in one of your upcoming Prophecy Updates. Praise the Lord you did!

*[So it was her fault that I did that Prophecy Update] [She was praying that I would]*

Around the time of the 2020 election, I unknowingly got wrapped up in listening to many of the NAR teachers and false prophets on YouTube. [NAR - New Apostolic Reformation theology.] I did not know about NAR or Dominion Theology yet, so at first what they were saying sounded good *[Smooth]* and felt good with the thought of “taking back our country for God.”

But as the weeks passed, my spirit began to have more and more red flags. Not only would these false prophets' prophecies fall flat or be too vague, which nobody seemed to notice, by the way, but the politics, the talk of “saving America” was usually the focus of all the teachings or prophecies. It began to feel like idolatry, so, I stopped listening.

*[Good for you]*

That's when the Lord led me to research NAR, the 7 Mountain Mandate, Dominion Theology, Kingdom Now Theology, and all of the false teachings that go along with it. I was shocked but am thankful God led me out before I got too deeply invested! I now understand why my spirit was in such turmoil listening to these teachings.”

That's another thing. When you're listening to a Hananiah, there will be the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit that will put a check in your heart. Something's not quite right. Don't go against that. When there's — it — there's just — there's not a peace, you know, the peace of God from the God of peace. Where turmoil and angst and fear especially because we know the Holy Spirit does not give us fear.

When you're listening to a teaching, and in your heart you're all just in knots and — because when you hear the truth, “**...the truth will set you free.**” “**And the commands of the Lord are not burdensome,**” John said. Jesus says, “**My yoke is easy, My burden is light.**” And James says, “**The wisdom from above is easy to be entreated.**”

So when there's this turmoil and conflict going on inside of you, pretty good chance that's the Holy Spirit going, no! Warning! Warning! Warning!

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She goes on. “Not only do they go against scripture, but they also cancel out the solid doctrine, the sound doctrine of the pre-Tribulation rapture. Wow, did that steal my blessed hope for a time!”

That's another one too. Again, I said it wasn't exhaustive. I'm not going to go back and spend another — don't look at your watches. But that's another litmus test, by the way. When you hear somebody talking about “you need to get prepared for what's coming,” and we just so happen to have a package deal till midnight tonight, if you act now, for \$99.95, only from us, cannot buy it in stores.

I did take it too far again, didn't I? You got the point? And what's behind that is “we're going to go through the Tribulation.” We need to prepare for going through this 7-year Tribulation.

And right there, I mean, that's false. And they're talking like, hey, we're going to be here for a while. You know, they talk about the world that we need to leave to the next generation. Okay. We are that chosen generation. We are the final generation. This is it, baby.

She goes on. “Even though I am secure in my beliefs...” [*Now isn't that sad?*] Her blessed hope of the pre-Tribulation rapture. They took it from her. “It was stolen from me,” she said. “They stole my blessed hope.” What does the enemy come to do? To steal, kill, and destroy. He wants to steal your hope, kill your joy, and destroy your life.

“Even though I am secure in my beliefs now, my heart is still heavy because a couple of my family members who are dear to me are deep into the NAR teachings. This causes a lot of friction when I try to share my hope in Jesus' return to take me out of this world because they have hope to stay in this world and for things to get better.”

To make America great again. Yeah, there I said it. Well, if America is going to be great again, then I — I guess I — we're going to be here for a while because America has to be great again. So rapture can't happen. Because America's got to be great again.

By the way, that sounds a lot like Hananiah to me because... I can't find that here. In fact, I find the opposite here. I don't see a great America in the pages of Bible prophecy. So if the measure is: Is it consistent with and compatible with the word of God? Well, that's not.



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“I pray that the Holy Spirit guides them to truth. Thank you for having courage and boldness in all of your teachings and Prophecy Updates, especially regarding the so-called vaccine.”

*[Boy, this poor sister has been listening to me way too long]*

I have been listening *[Oh, I guess not that long]* listening to your uploads since the end of 2020 and consider you my pastor and Calvary Kaneohe to be my home church, even though I am thousands of miles away. God bless all of you, and I can't wait to meet you in the air soon and very soon.”

We'll take you up on that.

Come on up, Kaponu. Why don't you stand up?

[ Applause ]

Thank you again so much for your patience. I — I know I say this every week, but I really do — and the Lord knows my heart —I try. If you only knew how much I leave out to try to shorten up the Updates. And what a miserable failure I am because instead of shortening them up, I seem to lengthen them instead. But hey, I'm leaving it all out there. So... Because you never know if this is going to be the last Update. That's my story, and I'm still sticking with it. Let's pray.

Father, thank You. Thank You for Bible prophecy. Thank You for the Holy Spirit and the discernment of the Holy Spirit, especially in these last days. Please, Lord, would You grant us the grace, fill us with the Holy Spirit and the discernment of the Holy Spirit in these last days because we need it now like never before.

We don't want to be deceived or duped. Lord, we don't want to be gullible, naive. We want to be shrewd as serpents but harmless as doves. So Lord, would You grant us that grace?

And lastly, Lord, for anyone who may even be here or still watching online that has never called upon You, believing in You, I pray that today would be the day of their salvation and they would be brought into the kingdom. Please, Lord. And lastly, Maranatha. Come quickly, Lord Jesus. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.