

July 11th – Sold Out to Jesus

“And Micaiah said, ‘As the Lord lives, whatever my God says, that I will speak.’”
(2 Chron. 18:13)

Micaiah is one of my favorite biblical characters that you’ve probably never heard of. His story should inspire any of us to keep serving Christ, no matter how perilous the circumstances around us might become. When I was pastoring Grace Baptist Church in Morristown, TN, I actually went to a local sign company and had this verse placed on a small plaque. I brought the plaque back to the church and affixed it to the pulpit as a constant reminder to preach only God’s Word to God’s people.

Micaiah had a reputation for being a true prophet of the Lord. When evil King Ahab was trying to convince good King Jehoshaphat to go to war with him, he called for many false prophets to forecast their war efforts. Not surprisingly, the false prophets came back with nothing but good news. Jehoshaphat was not persuaded by false prophets, so he sought the services of a true prophet of the Lord. That’s when Micaiah was called in to bring a genuine word from the Lord.

King Ahab hated Micaiah because he knew he was sold out to Jehovah and could not be bought at any price. Regardless, when the messengers came to retrieve Micaiah, they warned him to prophesy only good things. Micaiah responded with these iconic words – “whatever my God says, that I will speak.” Wow!! If only that resolve were found in every one of us!! When others want you to be quiet or compromise, make your stand with Christ and leave the results with God. Be sold out to Jesus!