

**“Which Voices Are Speaking?”** By Kirk Hunt

*And the Lord said to me, “The prophets prophesy lies in My name. I have not sent them, commanded them, nor spoken to them; they prophesy to you a false vision, divination, a worthless thing, and the deceit of their heart.*

Jeremiah 14:14 NKJV

To my dismay, people I know, treasure and respect make poor choices and take disreputable actions. Despite what I know they know, their actions conflict with what I know of their character. It seems that there are voices in their lives that lead them down these unworthy paths.

The false prophets of Jeremiah’s era assured the nation of Judah that their continuing sin and corruption would not be held against them. Perhaps, the Babylonian conquest could have been averted, had Judah repented and returned to God. The voices of the false prophets convinced Judah to remain in their sinful ways, and the great captivity fell on the nation.

There are voices in my life as well. I trust, or trusted, certain men and women to speak into my life. Now, sometimes retroactively, I screen their words through Scripture. I am too often surprised at how poorly their words compare to the Word of God.

True prophets speak God’s truth. Their voices match Scripture. Their only agenda is to speak what God says.

You and I have voices, past and present, speaking to our hearts, minds and souls. Only the true prophets should be listened to. The routes you follow accurately report which voices you hear.

**Think:** The voices I listen to must agree with Scripture.

**Pray:** “Lord, help me to hear only Your voice.”

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