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### David's Inspired Word

There are times when people have predicted that this or that would happen. It seems as if they felt the need for others to believe they had a gift of prophecy. They have even gone as far as to write articles in papers or books which extoll their predictions as being truth, comparable even to God's Word. What a shame that some go that far as to compare themselves and their writings to the inspired Word of God. They have shown their true colors by failing to predict in their writings, the correct time of the end of the world, the return of Christ, and various other imaginations of their own hearts. They would compare to those false prophets spoken of in Deuteronomy 18:22, **"When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him."**

As stated, there are false prophets and spirits which are not of God. I Corinthians 14:32 says, **"And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets."** False prophets were led by evil spirits, whereas true prophets were led in the paths pleasing to the Lord. We need to pay attention to the words of Peter spoken of in Acts 1:16, **"Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus."** Peter asserts that **"by the mouth of David"**, true words of prophecy came forth and was indeed fulfilled. Please note that it was of the Holy Ghost which enabled David to speak such words concerning Judas who betrayed Lord.

David writes in Psalm 41:9 about one who was, **"Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me."**

He went further in Psalm 109 to declare conditions which were common, both to him and to Christ as verse 5 says, **"And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love."** David speaks of Judas in Psalm 109:8, **"Let his days**

**be few; and let another take his office.”** It is quoted in part by Peter in Acts 1:20, **“For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishoprick let another take.”** Then, we find these words of David in Psalm 69:25 **Let their habitation be desolate; and let none dwell in their tents.**

We know that holy men of God, spake as the Lord led them. In II Samuel 23:2, David surely believed this to be true as he wrote, **“The Spirit of the Lord spake by me, and his word was in my tongue.”** Peter confirms the leadership of the Holy Spirit in the matter of true prophecy in II Peter 1:21, **“For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.”**

It is this same Spirit (Holy Ghost) which God called ministers should rely on any time they enter the stand to preach the truths of God’s Word. Pray often that God’s Spirit will lead us to worship Him as we should in Spirit and in Truth, and also to rely on His Spirit for our guidance of utterance. **“Think About It”**