



~ Lesson #25 ~

Does God Have Prophets Today?

One day as Julie waited in line at the grocery store to be checked out, she scanned the magazines in the racks. She remembered seeing some of the tabloids on her neighbor's coffee table in her living room from time to time. It seemed they always had such outlandish headlines to tempt people to buy them. As it was only a week before the new year started, the tabloids were now proclaiming what all the "prophets" were predicting for the new year to come.

Julie was puzzled by the statistics that accompanied the pictures of the prophets. The statistics showed ratios of how often each of the prophet's predictions for last year had come true, as well as how many did not come to pass. How could a prophet be a prophet, if what he said wasn't true, she wondered. And, where did their "visions" come from? Why was there even such a thing as a prophet?

Have you ever asked yourself these same questions? Well, you may be surprised to learn that the Bible has the answers to these questions. Let's look and see what the Bible says.

THE BIBLE SAYS

**1. How did God communicate with man in the beginning? Genesis 1:28;
Genesis 3:8**

The Bible Says: _____

Note: It appears that God walked and talked with Adam and Eve in person as a friend.

**2. Did God continue to talk to man face to face after sin entered?
Exodus 3:5, 6**

The Bible Says: “And Moses _____ ;

for he was _____ to look upon God.”

**3. Why can't we see and talk face to face with God now? Exodus 33:20-23;
Exodus 19:21**

The Bible Says: _____

4. Then how can God communicate with His people?

The Bible Says:

Amos 3:7

I Samuel 9:9

Jeremiah 1:7, 9

5. How does God convey His messages to His prophets?

The Bible Says:

II Peter 1:21

[II Samuel 23:2](#)

[Numbers 12:6](#)

6. Are all who say they are prophets the real thing?

The Bible Says:

[Matthew 24:11](#)

[I John 4:1](#)

[Isaiah 8:19](#)

Note: This means the fortune tellers, witches, and the seances are not where we should go for information. [Deuteronomy 18:10-12](#), also [Leviticus 20:27](#).

[Jeremiah 23:13-32](#)

7. How can I tell if a prophet is truly from the Lord?

The Bible Says:

[Isaiah 8:20](#)

[Deuteronomy 13:1-3](#)

[Jeremiah 28:9](#)

[Ezekiel 3:17-19](#)

[II Corinthians 10:5](#)

[Matthew 7:15-20](#)

8. Will there be prophets in the church?

The Bible Says:

[I Corinthians 12:28](#)

[Ephesians 4:11-13](#)

[Revelation 12:17](#)

Note: God's last church (remnant) will have a prophet. The "testimony of Jesus" is the "Spirit of Prophecy." [Revelation 19:10](#)

[I Corinthians 14:29-33](#) (last verse)

9. What special counsel does God have for us concerning His prophets?

The Bible Says:

[I Thessalonians 5:19-21](#)

[II Chronicles 20:20](#) (last part) _____

Yes, Lord, I want to follow what You have to say to me through Your prophet.

Lord, help me to have the wisdom to know if a prophet is telling the truth and whether he/she is from You.

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