GROWING IN THE PROPHETIC

Session 1 | God's Wonderful Gift of Prophecy and the Prophetic | Sept 12th 2018

Habakkuk 2 – Idols have no life

"Of what value is an idol carved by a craftsman?

Or an image that teaches lies?

For the one who makes it trusts in his own creation;

he makes idols that cannot speak.

¹⁹ Woe to him who says to wood, 'Come to life!'

Or to lifeless stone, 'Wake up!'

Can it give guidance?

It is covered with gold and silver;

there is no breath in it."

God is a Speaking God

- You can see/hear Him through creation
 - o **Psalm 19**
- He speaks with His own voice
 - o Exodus 3
 - o Matthew 3:13
 - o Acts 9
- He speaks through Angles
 - Matthew 1
- He speaks through His written Word
 - o 2 Timothy 3:16
- He speaks through human beings

Prophecy

Hearing from God & speaking the message to others.

Ways Prophecy is Used in the Bible

Warnings of	2 Samuel 24:10	Judgement of God
Danger	2 Kings 17:13	

2 Chronicles 15:1 2 Chronicles 34:22	Calling back to Obedience & Holiness	Ezra 6:13 Acts 15:30 2 Samuel 7:1-3 Acts 16:6	Encouragement & Direction
Isaiah 44: 28 Ezra 1:1 2 Chronicles 20:35 Joel 2:28	To Foretell a Future Event		

Effects of Prophecy

2 Kings 5 Naaman healed of Leprosy	 Sometimes it doesn't make any sense to us It may reveal our pride True prophecy can change things in a second
John 4 The Woman at the Well	When we see the reality of God moving it brings our walls down

1 Thessalonians 5:19

²⁰ Do not treat prophecies with contempt ²¹ but test them all; hold on to what is good, ²² reject every kind of evil.

Closing Thoughts

"Genuine prophecy will never contradict the Word of God." – Mark Manfredi			