

AUGUST 25

## “DO YOU WANT YOUR EARS TICKLED, OR DO YOU WANT TO HEAR THE TRUTH?”

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### **READ**

*2 Chronicles 18:1-22, 2 Timothy 4:1-4*

The Bible tells us that God is involved in the daily goings-on in the world. Jehoshaphat, a good king, aligned himself through marriage in the family of Ahab, a bad king. A believer should never partner with an unbeliever, in business or in marriage. Jehoshaphat consulted 400 prophets who lied and told him what he wanted to hear, but Micaiah prophesied the truth. Deceptive leaders and lying spirits abound even more in these last days. There are too many scripturally illiterate, prayer-less people who only want to be entertained, blessed, encouraged, and told to prosper — all the while living in sin. Rebellious sheep will pick their own shepherd to tell them what they want to hear. Lying spirits remove commitment, discipline, and holiness from the Gospel. God said we are to be holy because He is holy. People want to be affirmed. The flesh doesn't want brokenness, repentance, or hunger. Evil men and imposters will tell them what they want to hear. Rise up, prophets of God, and proclaim the truth!

### **PRAY**

I pray for discernment these last days. Having my ears tickled may be pleasurable, but it doesn't produce holiness, and without holiness, no one will see the Lord. Father, raise up prophets who will speak truth.

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