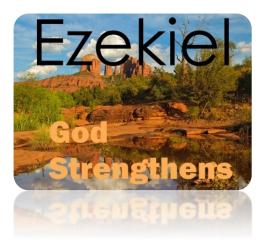


In this chapter, Matthew Henry wrote: the LORD addresses false prophets and false prophetesses who under the pretense of comforting God's people with flattery and hopes of peace; these false prophets – men and women... will be proved liars; and both the deceived and the deceivers will be answerable to Him.

¹And the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

² Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who prophesy / the Lord says to prophet Ezekiel, prophesy to those who claim to be inspired by God; who say they have a word from the Lord,



and say to them who prophesy from their own inspiration,

Hear the word of the LORD / notice where the Lord starts with these false prophets; He always starts with His Word: Jesus said, heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will never pass away. You can always know those false prophets, because they rarely turn our hearts and minds to God's Word; they are too busy turning our minds to their devious devises and manmade traditions; along with fancy sounding things like jubilees and other hocus pocus -- always to extract a little coin;

³ Thus says the Lord GOD;

Woe / how terrible it will be...

to the foolish prophets / men and women... who did not understand the business they pretended to; they pretend to have a commission from God, but just one problem: He never sent them -- MH,

who follow their own spirit

and have seen nothing! / they do not follow the Spirit of the LORD, they have not received visions of God; their dark spirit is of antichrist; their dark visions are inspired in hell, they are from the enemy of God... they come as angels of light. They pretend to have instruction from the LORD, who never made His mind known to them.

- ⁴O Israel your prophets are like foxes among the ruins / you who claim to be governed by God; Paul wrote, we are the Israel of God.
- ⁵ You foxes did not go up in the gaps, you foxes did not build up the wall around the house of Israel that it might stand in the battle on the day of the LORD / the false prophets burrow among the breaches; they did not repair... their work is to destabilize the protective hedge of those who were inheritors of all the promises first given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob... / that the wobbly house of Israel might stand on the Day of the LORD's wrath; Moses said: the 6th day of the LORD... a terrible day of Afflicting Souls -- Leviticus 23.

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⁶ You see false visions... and lying divinations / since it is the devil who is known as the father of lies, we should remember what they saw or imagined was not divinely instituted,

saying, "The LORD says": frigafraga-diddlypoop... they say lots of weird stuff; the only problem:

but the LORD did not send you: yet, you expect that He would confirm your word.

⁷You foxes see false visions, and utter lying divinations whenever you say, "The LORD says…" / they speak mumbo jumbo, hocus pocus, although I did not speak.



⁸ So, thus says the Lord GOD;

because you foxes utter lies, and see lying visions, therefore behold / pay attention,

I am against you, says the Lord God.

⁹ My hand is against the prophets who see false visions and who give lying divinations. They will have no place in the council of My people, they will not be enrolled in the registry of the house of Israel, they will not be allowed to enter the land of Israel / their trailer trash will not populate His land;

and you will know/ so the false prophets are going to school; they have a lesson to learn...

I am the Lord GOD.

¹⁰ Precisely because they have misled My people, saying,

"Peace" when there was no peace / the people were told: God was with them; and had mercy in reserve for them... when false prophets proclaim: All is well, when all is not well;

and because, when they build a wall / it's a flimsy wall; because they preferred open borders,

lo / mark this,

these false **prophets plaster it with whitewash** / they only daubed it to hide the cracks, and make it appealing to the eye – this verse describes the message not only given by the grinning, thinly veneered political leaders in our 21st century... but also the longwinded VIPs of churchianity, doesn't it?

¹¹ Say to those who plaster with whitewash / tell those who only daub to hide the cracks...



that it will fall. / Doctrines that are groundless, like: liturgical calendars that clutter around 370 days, while ignoring the sacred Sabbath and the 7 Days of the Lord; things which are not built upon a scripture foundation nor fastened with a scripture cement, though ever so plausible, ever so pleasing, are not of any worth, and place not anyone in secure standing; those hopes of peace and happiness which are not warranted by the word of God, only cheat men... like a wall that is well daubed indeed, but ill-built -- MH.

There will be a flooding rain / tell these false talkers, a violent storm approaches;

and you, O great hailstones / the artillery of heaven, like cannon-balls, will fall; and violent wind will break out.

¹² Lo, when the flimsy wall has fallen, will they not be asked, Where is the plaster with which you plastered it? / What happened to your plaster job?

¹³ Therefore thus says the Lord GOD; like a violent storm My wrath will break out; like a flooding rain in My anger, like great hailstones My fury will destroy it.

¹⁴ So I will break down the wall that you whitewashed... demolishing it until its foundations are exposed,

and when it falls crushing you under it: you will know/ so these wily false prophets will learn a lesson if it's the last thing they do;

I am the LORD.

¹⁵I satisfy My wrath against the wall and those who plastered it with whitewash, saying, The wall is no more, and its plasterers are gone;

¹⁶ along with the false prophets of Israel who prophesy concerning Jerusalem, who see visions of peace for her when there is no peace, says the Lord God.

Having addressed the male dominated part of society; now the LORD turns giving equal opportunity for women to think clearly, and if needed, to rethink and reconsider... that they might know the LORD.

¹⁷ Likewise, son of man, set your face against the daughters of your people, who prophesy from their own inspiration prophesy against them / women who are very imaginative yet deceived; speak against these women who are found guilty of misrepresenting our inspiring LORD; who instead have actively shared in maintaining pagan idolatry; and making profit from it,

¹⁸ And say, Thus says the Lord GOD;

Woe / how terrible it will be... to those who sew amulets for elbows and wrists of those of every stature / how terrible it will be for these who apparently made lucky charm little pillows to rest and lean on; the particulars are difficult to imagine, but churchianity junk was popular for young and old; rich and poor,



and make headscarves / veils...superstitious kerchiefs were fashionable badges of liberty and triumph, suggesting that they should not only be delivered from the Chaldeans, but be victorious over them. Perhaps, this is also descriptive of the attire and accessories associated with fortune tellers;

to hunt souls! / to snare souls. John in the Revelation writes of those engaged in merchandising of souls. These folks use all their arts to court and compel the unsuspecting into those places where is delivered every pretended prediction, to gain influence over them, especially to extract a little \$\$\$. It is reported Mother Theresa on her death had a bank account with: \$100,000,000.00. Why, was she used?

Will you snare the souls of My people? Can you save the souls alive who come to you?

¹⁹ For a handful of barley and piece of bread you have profaned Me to My people / for the reward of a beggar... they told their lies...by your lying influence My people listened to your lies. You put to death souls who should not die, and kept alive souls who should not live / you brought death to honest folks, while promised life to the dishonest.

²⁰ Therefore thus says the Lord GOD;

Indeed, I am against your amulets / all your hocus pocus stuff, which you use to snare poor souls, I will strip them off your arms, and let them go free, even those whom you snared.

²¹ I will tear off your headscarves and rescue My people from your hands / even goofy headscarves don't impress the Lord; one day all their fallacies will be exposed; the right ones will no longer be sad; the wrong ones will no longer be emboldened,

and they will no longer be in your hands / in your power... to be hunted; and you will know/ so these greasy women also get an education; and what do they need to learn?

I am the LORD.

- ²² Because with lies you disheartened the right one, when I did not cause him grief; but strengthened the hand of the wrong one... not to turn from his evil way and thereby preserve his life / while hardening the heart:
- ²³ So, you women will no longer see false visions, or practice divination for I will deliver My people from your hand / no more hocus pocus; out of your power: and you will know/ the good Teacher insists these women without their amulets and headscarves... will learn this basic lesson; no sense to go any further without learning it;

I am the LORD.