

“HOW CAN WE KEEP FROM BEING ENSNARED BY FALSE TEACHERS?”
Lessons from the Doom of Israel’s Apostate Prophets
Ezekiel 13:1-7

- I. **A Preliminary Question:** Why does God allow false prophets? (Duet 13)

- II. **WE MUST SEE THEM FROM GOD’S PERSPECTIVE:** The Lord reveals the character of the false prophets (13:1-6)
 - A. Ezekiel is commanded to **prophecy against the false prophets** of Israel who prophecy from their own inspiration (1-2)

 - B. **The Lord God condemns the false prophets** in a “Woe!”, describing and **revealing their true nature** as false prophets (3-7)
 - 1. They are foolish prophets (3a)

 - 2. Their prophecy/revelation is all from self and nothing from God (3b, 2)

 - 3. They are at home in spiritual ruin (4)

 - 4. They have not and do not confront sin (5)

 - 5. They see and thus speak falsehood and lying divination (6-7, 9)

 - 6. They say they speak for the Lord, but He has not sent them (6-7)

Next Week

- III. **WE MUST KNOW GOD IS AGAINST THEM** and He will judge them (13:8-21)