## **Lost In The Credits**

## Micaiah

(2 Chronicles 17-19)

Introduction: 1.

- .. When we think of "prophets of God," several common names usually come to mind: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Elijah, Elisha, etc...
- 2. But a name that is often overlooked is Micaiah.
- 3. We don't read a great deal about this prophet, but what we do read causes one to have great respect for him.

## I. The Background

- A. Jehospaphat was king of Judah and he was a good king (2 Chronicles 17:1-4).
- B. At the same time, Ahab was king of Israel, and he was wicked.
- C. Jehoshaphat made an alliance with Ahab by giving his son to marry Ahab's daughter (2 Chronicles 18:1).
- D. Ahab wanted to go take back Ramoth Gilead from the Syrians and asks Jehoshaphat to help him (2 Chronicles 18:3).
- E. Jehoshaphat wanted to consult God first, and 400 prophets said it was a good idea, yet Jehoshaphat asked for one more prophet (2 Chronicles 18:6-7).
- F. That prophet was Micaiah, and he was hated by Ahab (2 Chronicles 18:7).
- G. Micaiah, opposes all the other prophets and says it is a bad idea and that Ahab will be killed (2 Chronicles 18:14-17).
- H. Micaiah was then put in prison because of his prophecy (2 Chronicles 18:26).

## II. Lessons Learned

- A. Micaiah had a reputation.
  - 1. (2 Chronicles 18:7).
  - 2. Can you be counted on to always speak the truth?
- B. Micaiah was hated for his truthfulness.
  - 1. (2 Chronicles 18:7).
  - 2. Will you compromise truth to keep friends?
  - 3. (Galatians 4:16).
  - 4. It's hard to be hated (1 Kings 19; Jeremiah 20:7-9).
- C. Micaiah was pressured to say what the king wanted to hear.
  - 1. (2 Chronicles 18:12).
  - 2. He was told not to rock the boat.
- D. Micaiah was courageous enough to speak the truth.
  - 1. (2 Chronicles 18:13-16).
  - 2. It's not easy to stand alone.
  - 3. (1 Kings 18:20-40).
  - 4. Numbers do not make one right.
  - 5. (Exodus 23:2).
- E. Micaiah was willing to suffer for truth.
  - 1. (2 Chronicles 18:26).
  - 2. Given bread and water of affliction.