

the particular person to have. So here this prophet, this old prophet spoke. God gave him the word to speak, and he said to him (v.21): "Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the Lord, and hast not kept the commandment which the Lord thy God commanded thee, but camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of which the Lord did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers." Can you imagine what the prophet thought when he heard the old prophet say these things?

I think he would feel like a young fellow I heard of not long ago who was pastor of a church. A woman came to ~~hai~~ him, and said, Pastor, my husband has been a deacon in this church for the last three years, and he should not be re-elected. He does not live worthy of a deacon. He does not have the qualities a deacon should have for office, he should not be re-elected. My son said, Is that what you think about your husband? And I must say it fits with my observation. But he said, I'll look into it further. So he looked into it further; made some inquiries and he went to the young man and said to him, Jack you are not really worthy to be a deacon ~~s~~ yet. Maybe someday you will develop in your Christian life to where you are. But don;t you think you ought to ask them not to re-elect you? The young man said, I think you are right pastor; I will ask them not to re-elect me and let someone else get it." Then the woman came to the pastor and said, Pastor, you don;t think my husband's ~~MM~~ good enough~~X~~ to be a deacon; I'm not coming to your church anymore! (Laughter). I'm sure that's the way the prophet thought about the old ~~prophet+~~