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but we do have a very great need to judge their message and to determine whether their message is a true message of God that we should follow, or is not.

Well now the lesson for the next time, that is for tomorrow morning, will consist of reading the next four verses in Hebrew in I Kings 13 and also of reminding yourselves what is the historic background of the book of Jeremiah. You've had that thoroughly and know what the history of it is but get the facts well in mind of the historic background of the book of Jeremiah for tomorrow.

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Now we continue with a discussion of our outline. We were looking at No. D. yesterday-- True and False Prophets--and under that 1., False Prophets, b. Types of False Prophets, and then No. 2 was Imposters and No. 3. Deluded. Fortunately it is, the Lord is the one to decide who is an imposter and who is deluded. We do not have a responsibility to make this decision. It is our responsibility to decide who is a true follower of the Lord but not our responsibility to decide as among the various shades of unbelief which is more or less heinous. Mr.---? (Question from student) Yes. You can tell but I wouldn't say that you can always be one hundred per cent. certain, but as a rule you can be pretty certain. But as among those who are not, to decide which of them are knaves and which are fools is a thing which the Lord will decide and He will be much easier on the fool than on the knave, but we cannot tell the knave--which it is. Well now the references which I gave you for this were I Kings 22:5-28 which definitely has some imposters. I am inclined to think that it also has some who were deluded. Ezekiel 13:17-19 which suggests very strongly in its language that they are imposters. Then Micah 3:11. Let us look at that reference. Micah 3:11. There the prophet says about Zion, the heads thereof judge for reward and the priests teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the Lord, and say, Is not the Lord among us? None evil can come upon us. He certainly suggests very clearly that there imposters here. They are pretending to be the Lord's when they