Prophets 14.

Amos saw the Lord standing on the wall holding a plumbline. Certainly under that head would come the dream or vision of Peter when he was on the house top and very hungry and he saw a sheet let down from heaven filled with all types of unclean animals and he heard a voice, "Kill and eat". Peter had an imaginative experience there which God used in order to convey a lesson to the prophet, and consequently when we find words used we sometimes are not one hundred per cent. sure whether God gave the prophet those specific words or whether God gave him some sort of a vision which the prophet is describing in words. This was small 3 under small c and now we take up a big 2 under I, under the mode of the reception of the prophetic message. 1. was that there is a variety of modes and we discussed these different modes. Now No. 2 is that though the mode varies there is always the definite consciousness that the revelation is given by God, and received by the prophet. It is not simply the result of his own thought or reflection .I'll read that again. No. 2, Though the mode varies there is always a definite consciousness that the revelation is given by God and received by the prophet. It is not simply the result of his own thought or reflection. That is very important The prophet is a spokesman for God who is like a telegraph boy. He receives a message from God and passes it on. But the reception of the message may be more complicated than the reception of the note by the telegraph boy. It may be more like the reception of the telegram, by the individual who gave it to the boy. The mode varies but the telegraph boy or the person who gives the telegram to the telegraph boy always knows that it is not something they have made up or that they have thought of as a good idea. It is a message which had come from someone else and which they are simply transmitting.