

Prophets 16 (Second part of record)

Our assignment for today was the next four verses in I Kings 13, the Hebrew, and also the reviewing what you learned last year, the names, character and general history, of all the kings of Judah. Of course, you've already reviewed a good many of them in connection with the background of the book of Jeremiah for last time, so now if you will please close all helps and take a piece of paper and write your name on it and underneath your name, write the names of the four best, most godly of the kings of Judah in the order in which they occur. Just the names and the order in which they occur. I won't say they were right after each other, necessarily, of the four best, most godly kings of the kingdom of Judah. I might as well assign the lesson for tomorrow and the next day immediately--four more verses each day in the Hebrew and for the other part of the lesson for the two days, the review of the kings of Israel, their names, their character, the outstanding events in the history of the kings of the Northern Kingdom, the Kingdom of Israel, and of course, including also their relationship with the Southern Kingdom. Now, in our outline, we were looking at F, the mode of reception of the prophetic message, and we've noticed the different modes by which God might give the particular message to the prophet, but we looked at the end of the hour at No. 3, that as a result of the mode of reception, as well as of the finiteness of the human mind, the prophet did not always understand the full import of his revelation. We saw from I Peter 1:11 that the prophets often wished that they might understand better that which God had revealed to them, and tried to figure out the fuller meaning of the revelation which God had given to them and to others, and we noticed in Daniel 12:8-10 and also in the fourth verse of that chapter that it is definitely taught that some times that which is revealed is not revealed in such a way as to be wholly clear immediately, but may be considered as sealed up until the time at which it is vital that people shall understand it, and then new light will break through. People will study it back and forth and the Holy Spirit will lead them in their comparison of different sections of the Word to see more fully exactly/what is meant