## From General To Specific: **Clarifying Our Prophetic Approach**

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We build our prophetic, thus says the Lord appeals on Bible Truths. From the actual content of Scripture, we then go on to herald contemporary (relevant-to-today) appeals. Please be patient with us as we contextualize, as we attempt to tie general Bible facts to pertinent cultural messages. Here's an example of our typical approach:

General	Read I Tim 4:1 – Apostasy is taking place today & further falling away from the faith will continue.		
Bible	II Tim $3:1-4:5$ speaks to cultural descriptions which flourish today – God's Word is <i>spot on</i> .		
facts	II Peter $2:1-3:9$ states detailed specifics regarding present global society.		
Specific	In reading the Scriptures above, we are amazed as to the accuracy concerning how God's holy		
expressions	Word is describing society today. The end-time Bible <b>THEMES</b> describe our day. Good news:		
in culture	God's Word also states <b>Jesus Christ will return soon</b> . While there are additional Bible passages to		
today	be fulfilled before His initial appearing, His return is soon, though not imminent (as of this August		
	posting). Before His glorious appearing, He calls His Church to <b>endure</b> in Him thru the darkness.		

Here's a second example of our typical approach:

Bible facts	Read	I Peter, I, II & III John speak to end-time consequential dangers – these dangers are serious! II Thes. 2:1-12 (our focus here: "apostasy" – falling away from the faith)
Specific	Once a	again, God's revelation concerning the describing of the days just prior to His Son's initial

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appearing in the clouds is accurate to the degree of being awesome. Lord God, as Daniel foretold the coming kingdoms of Greece and Rome, so too does Your magnificent Word speak accurately about events in culture today – revelation from You, the all-knowing God – Truths written thousands of years prior to the unfolding of said events. AMAZING. Thank You that You've communicated these insights because You care for mankind in this, the gracious giving of Your protective Counsel.

As did the God-sanctioned prophets of old, we highlight Bible Truths then go on to share insights as to how the content of the Word is manifesting in global culture today. We emphasize general biblical appeals and then go on to cite specific ways the general Truths are unfolding in our world at present. We avoid higher degrees of speculation as to general fulfillments of God's revelation by resisting the option of making hasty fulfillment appeals. We do so in light of the dynamic of prophetic exchange as modeled, for example, in the book of Jeremiah. In Jeremiah 1-8, 23 & 28-31 we find both types of prophetic voices: Jeremiah representing true prophetic declaration; Hananiah, Ahab, Zedekiah, Shemaiah and others representing false prophetic voices. In these cases, timing concerning God's judgment and restoration represent the differences between correct and incorrect prophetic appeal. Here's yet another example of our typical approach:

General Read Mt. 24 Jesus Christ forewarns us about groups which bring false prophecies  Bible Peter, John and Jude are very specific concerning the spirit of antichrist and to mention and further develop the ruination of those who embrace the false Eternity matters!	nd other lies, not
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One of the main evils which foster apostasy is deception. The Word of God is clear on this. God does not want us to repeat the Garden fall – Genesis 3. Instead, He desires us to discern the wicked deceit and reject it. Some duplicity is so dark that consequences of holding | accepting the falsehoods lead to eternal separation from God. May we be those who are unlike those spoken about in II Thes. 2:10-12. May we say "NO" to the world and demonic darkness and avoid the destructive surprises outlined in Revelation chapters 2 & 3.

As deception continues to mushroom, may we – God's people in Jesus Christ – be walking in His Spirit whereby we properly discern the false teachers and false prophets among us. May we rely on God's Vine, our Lord Jesus, and abide in Him today in a manner that honors and glorifies the One True Most High God. Lord God, as we walk in Your Holy Spirit, as we abide in Your Son, may Your merciful & gracious leading allow us to shine Your light in these very satanic days. May our expressions of *living sacrifices* be well pleasing to You, our Creator, יהוה God.

By way of summary and in conclusion, our efforts at bringing God-honoring appeals flow from explicit Bible Truth. As we listen to His Spirit's still small voice, we are graced with the means to better discern social movements, global events and dark intrigues so as to bring *watchmen-on-the-wall* warning to God's sheep in Jesus Christ. Glory to His name.

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