## Ezekiel 13:1-5

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Ezekiel 13:1 "And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;"

Q1. Ezekiel was to prophesy against the \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel that prophesied out of their own \_\_\_\_\_.

Ezekiel 13:3 "Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!"

Matthew 15:8 "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me."

Q2. False prophets and teachers honour God with their \_\_\_\_\_, but their \_\_\_\_\_ is far from me.

2 Timothy 4:3 "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables."

Q3. False prophets and teachers will turn from the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Ezekiel 13:4 "O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.5 Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD."

A. Why are there gaps?

Ezekiel 22:26 "Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them."

Q4. Because they put no difference between the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.

Ezekiel 22:27 "Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain."

Q5. Because they wanted \_\_\_\_\_ gain.

Ezekiel 22:28 "And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *morter*, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken."

Q6. Because they used \_\_\_\_\_ mortar.

Ezekiel 22:30 "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none."

Q7. Did God find anyone to stand in the gap?

1 Samuel 17:48 "And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but *there was* no sword in the hand of David.''

with Will you stand in the gap and fight the giants in the power of God like David?

Daniel 6:10 "Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime."

Will you stand in the gap and pray like Daniel?

- ✤ Joshua 24:15 "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. "
- Will you stand in the gap and lead your family to serve the Lord like Joshua?
  - **\*** Ezekiel 13:5 "Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD."
- Q8. Did the prophets go up into the gaps? \_\_\_\_ initia ininitia initia initia in

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