



Elim Church

January 1, 2023, 10:00 am

“Bear Good Fruit, Watch Out for False Prophets!”

*“Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter the Kingdom of Heaven.”
Matthew 7:15b*

Welcome to Worship!

*O God, Our Help In Ages Past
Your Love, O Lord*

Announcements and [Offering](#)

Update from Dr. Pat of News Service 2000

*Draw Me Nearer
Come As You Are*

Children’s Moment *

“Bear Good Fruit, Watch Out for False Prophets!” (SOTM, Part 16) Pastor Becky Hanson

Prayer of Dedication for the New Year

Speak, O Lord

Benediction

Postlude



SERMON
ON THE
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SERMON SERIES

* Children will remain in the service.

Join us next week in-person or online at 10 am
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SERMON NOTES

“Bear Good Fruit, Watch Out for False Prophets!” (SOTM, Part 16)

Pastor Becky Hanson, MDiv

Matthew 7:15-23 TLV:

15 “Beware of false prophets who come disguised as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves. 16 You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? 17 A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit. 18 A good tree can’t produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can’t produce good fruit. 19 So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. 20 Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions.

21 “Not everyone who calls out to me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. 22 On judgment day many will say to me, ‘Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.’ 23 But I will reply, ‘I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God’s laws.’

How do you discern a true or a false prophet?

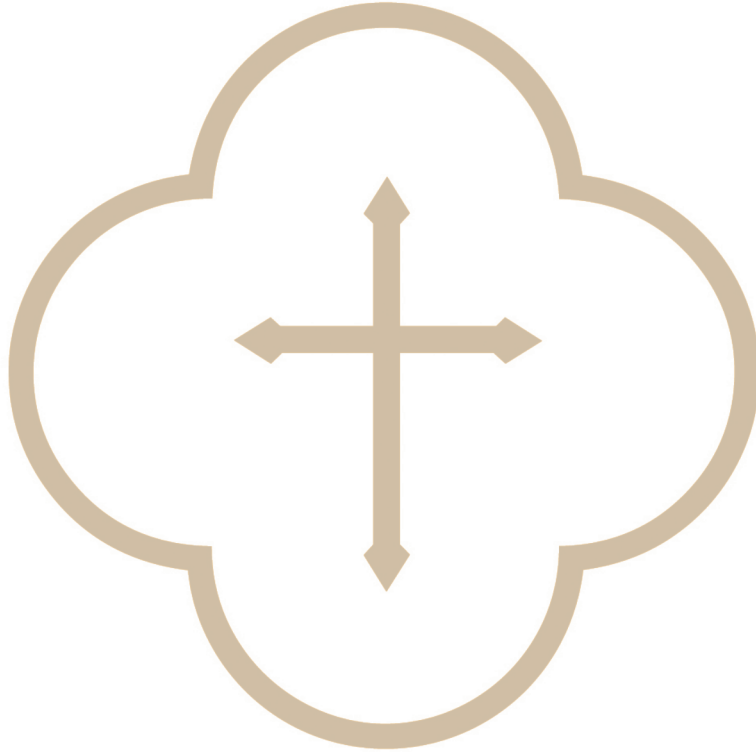
How can you tell if a teaching is false? What kind of fruit would a false prophet produce?

The Lord sets the standards for true and false disciples.

What kind of fruit are you producing?

Prayer of dedication as we enter the New Year

Next Week: SOTM, Part 17



Giving at a Glance

November Giving:

Needed – \$ 39,500

Received – \$ 27,429

Fiscal Year-to-Date:

Needed – \$ 316,000

Received – \$ 304,788

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