

will find another way. He may try the very opposite and just when you are holding yourself stiff against the wind blowing from this direction it can suddenly stop and come from this direction. You've resisted going too far in this direction and then you go too far in the opposite direction and can do just as much harm to the cause of God by your extreme action in that direction as you will have done if you had gone in that direction if you hadn't resisted the effort to lead you astray there. So just this little white lie was told, ~~the prophet, and~~ The old prophet couldn't see what possible harm it could do for the young prophet to have fellowship ~~tax~~ with him. Of course, it was fine that he wouldn't have fellowship with the king; that he wouldn't let the king lead him astray. But to have fellowship with another prophet, how could that injure anybody? That wouldn't hurt his testimony because the king wouldn't even know he came back, and the people wouldn't see him. It wouldn't hurt his testimony or anything. Well, certainly it was just a little white lie that couldn't possibly do any harm. How he must have felt later when he found that his little white lie had caused the death of the other prophet, put an end to his whole ministry. Well, he told his little white lie to him (if there is such a thing as a white lie). So he brought him back. I think a white lie is a lie which someone tells thinking foolishly in his heart that there is no harm in it; that's why people call it a white lie. A black lie is a lie that a person tells knowing there is harm in it. He told a white lie. So he took him back. In Revelation where it tells who will be in the lake of fire, it doesn't say those who tell black lies; it says "all liars". He took him back with him and they had wonderful fellowship in his home. The prophet from Judah just relaxed and felt wonderful to be in the presence of true men of God. Of course, they were here in this wicked city where the king was in charge of having this false worship. They were in these bad associations, but yet the prophet was telling him of the good old days when he had stood for the truth and how the young prophet did glory in it. How happy he was. Then as they sat at table, we read, ~~the~~ the word of the Lord came to the