

Isaiah 30:9-10

That this is a rebellious people, Lying children, Children who will not hear the law of the LORD; Who say to the seers, "Do not see," And to the prophets, "Do not prophesy to us right things; Speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits.

When we go to church on Sunday, are we expecting to feel good about ourselves when we leave?

Do we expect to have a smile on our face because we feel so good about ourselves?

If we don't get that smile, will we start to look for another church?

Do these questions sound crazy?

To most of us it may, but for others it's a way of life for them. They go to church each Sunday wanting a feel-good message, but if the message hits home with them and a particular sin that they may be in or challenges them to get right with the Lord and start serving, they don't want to hear it.

Today's devotional verses speak of those who are this way.

† ***Do not prophesy to us right things;
Speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits.***

Some people like topical messages, because most of the time they are not challenged as a Christian, or the message is usually directed at certain things in the Christian walk. But the bible has so much more to say. It addresses the "T" word that most cringe when they hear "Tithe."

It also addresses those living together in sin, "Fornication."

It addresses "Homosexuality."

It addresses "Pride" and "Self-Seeking."

It addresses "Spiritual Laziness," you know, those who think that by going to church on Sunday that they have done their duty to God for the week.

But Paul says in the book of Acts, "***For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.***" Acts 20:27

Topical messages are ok once in a while, but those who do so must also give "***the whole counsel of God,***" which means teaching through the bible. We as Christians should demand it from our pastors and teachers of God's word.

How else will we become more like Jesus unless we study ALL He said, from Genesis to Revelation!

† ***2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV) Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.***