

BACK BONE

Daily Meditation – Wednesday June 10, 2026

I want to discuss two prophets that I believe had strong backbone. When looking at the lives of these men we can draw a conclusion that we can be strong, in these last days, also. The Bible informs us, “But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory [as conquerors] through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor. 15:57 AMPC).

When we look at the life of Jerimiah we learn, “He never married (Jer. 16:2) and for much of his life he had few friends. Society at large would have nothing to do with him (Jer. 15:10, 17), and after a while he was not even allowed to enter the temple (Jer. 36:5). His loneliness increased when he was forbidden to join in ordinary community activities such as feasts and funerals (Jer. 16:5, 8). Nevertheless, some people in places of influence at times gained protection for him against persecutors (Jer. 26:24).”¹

Regarding John the Baptist, the Bible informs us, “For I say unto you, among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he” (Lk. 7:28 KJV).

A herald is the one who walks before the king and blows the trumpet and announces the king is coming. They prepare the people and nation for the king’s arrival. John declared Jesus’ coming.

The Bible says, “Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said, ‘THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!’” (Mt. 3:1-3).

John the Baptist was a great prophet. “Why does John hold such a prominent position among the prophets? Because all the prophets before John spoke only of the coming of the Messiah King and the coming of the kingdom, while John had the privilege of announcing, presenting, meeting, and baptizing the King of the kingdom.”²

¹ Don Fleming, *Concise Bible Commentary* (Chattanooga: AMG Publishers 1988), 274.

² Myles Munroe, *Rediscovering the Kingdom: Ancient Hope for Our 21st Century World*, 2004, p. 96

PRAYER FOR SALVATION – Father God, I repent of all my sins, and I believe You raised Jesus from the dead. I confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life. Jesus, wash me with your holy blood. Holy Spirit fill me so I can be a mighty witness for King Jesus!