

# Jezebel; Not Every Voice Deserves a Platform Week 6

**Text:** 1 Kings 18:1-19; 2 Timothy 3:13–14; Titus 1:10–16

Big Idea: Not all voices claiming authority are from God; discernment is crucial.

- **1. Bottom Line** When we listen to the <u>wrong</u> voice, we move in the <u>wrong</u> direction.
- **2. Why This Matters** The problem isn't that there aren't enough <u>voices</u>, it's that there are too <u>many</u>. Not every word is His Word.

Without discernment, we'll follow charisma instead of character, emotion instead of truth, and manipulation instead of revelation.

**1 Kings 16:30–33** Ahab "did more evil in the eyes of the Lord than any before him," and his marriage to Jezebel sealed Israel's spiritual decline.

#### 3. From 1 Kings 18

**1 Kings 18:4** says, "While Jezebel was killing off the Lord's prophets, Obadiah had hidden a hundred prophets in two caves."

Jezebel used her influence to **silence** God's voice in the land.

A **Jezebel** spirit thrives when God's people stop **discerning** and start **drifting**.

This isn't about gender, it's about anyone who uses manipulation instead of submission.

#### 4. How To Discern the Right Voices

#### (A) Know the Word

If you don't know the **Word**, you won't recognize a **counterfeit**.

**2 Timothy 3:13–14** Paul said, "Evil people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of."

You'll know them by their **fruit**, not their **following**.

## (B) Guard the Church

Paul said false voices "must be silenced because they are disrupting whole households."

Guard your **heart**, your **home**, your **church**.

## (C) Discern How They Lead

1 Timothy 2:12 I do not permit a woman to teach or to assume authority over a man;

The word authentein in 1 Timothy 2:12 means "to dominate or take control by force."

Paul wasn't silencing women, he was silencing a spirit of control.

True authority comes through **submission** to the **King**.

Jezebel **seized** control; Deborah **served** under God's control.

That's the difference between <u>rebellion</u> and <u>revival</u>.

## 5. Why This Matters

When you tolerate the wrong voice, you create space for the wrong spirit.

That spirit doesn't just cause **division**; it kills **destiny**.

### 6. Closing Question

Whose **voice** has been the loudest in your life lately?

The Jezebel spirit says, "You can't trust authority, take control."

The Spirit of God says, "You can trust Me."

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