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asked Mecaiah to do like the rest, he says Go up there, give them a good message, and verse 14 says Mecaiah said, As the Lord lived, ~~the Lord says to me so shall my people,~~ what the lord says to me so shall I ~~ne~~ speak. Now look at ~~verse~~ 15, and he came to the king, and ~~th~~ the king said to Mecaiah, Mecaiah, shall we go ~~ak~~ against Ramoth Gilead to battle or shall we forbear, and he answered him, Go and prosper, For the Lord shall deliver into the hands of the king, just exactly what he wanted, and naturally then, Ahaz turned, *don't he,* to Jehos^haphat and said, See, he says just like the ~~rest~~ of them. They all agree that ~~ix~~ is what we ~~a~~ shall do, but that is not what the king says, Look at ~~verse~~ 16, And the king said unto him, How many times shall I abjure thee ~~to tee~~ that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the name of the Lord. Well, why on earth ~~k~~ did Ahaz when he wanted to prove to Jehosaphat that all ~~k~~ of the prophets ~~ak~~ agreed that it was a good thing for them to do to go up to Ramoth Gilead, why did he ~~ak~~ answer that way, and what Mecaiah did was something like this, he said, Go, and prosper, the Lord will deliver thee into thy ~~shad~~ hands, he said it in a tone of voice that ~~s~~aid, In--just as plain as ~~x~~ anything, this is what you want, I'm giving you what you want, but you know my heart's not ~~in~~ it. It was so obvious that ~~the~~ Jehos^haphat wouldn't be satisfied, and Ahaz had to speak to him in this ~~way~~. We find another case in Isa. 7, in the 7th ~~chapter~~ chapter of Isa. we find that ~~the in~~ Isaiah was sent with a message to Ahaz. Ahaz ~~tw~~ is busy fixing up the ^{de}fences of Jerusalem, ^{so} ~~where~~ they will be safe from attack, and Isa. comes out there where ~~Azaz~~ Ahaz is ~~a~~ carrying on this defense inspection, and Isa. ~~ks~~ays to him, don't worry about these people from Assyria and Israel, God is going to deliver you from them, but ^{he ends his declaration} in verse 9 saying ~~ng~~ If ye ~~w~~ill not believe, surely you will not be