

## THE MAD PROPHET

Numbers 24:10-17

Intro - Balaam was considered mad because he would not follow God's will. God spoke to him, but he would not listen.

### I. God speaks to us through His word. Jn.1:1, Heb.1:2

- A. Words of comfort and encouragement. Jn.1:12, Heb.13:5
- B. Words of conviction. Jn.8:44
- C. Words of correction. Phil.2:3
- D. God speaks to unbelievers.
  - 1. Balaam – Num.24:17, Gen.49:10, Heb.1:8
  - 2. Caiaphas – Jn.11:49-51

### II. Balaam's mistake.

- A. God said "don't go" but he was contrary. Num.22:12, 19, 32
- B. He tries to go around God's will.
  - 1. Through compromise. Num.23:25
  - 2. Through bad advice. Rev.2:14
- C. Balaam is punished. 2 Pet.2:15-16, Num.31:8

### III. What will you do when God speaks to you?

- A. Be like Balaam and seek for ways to get around God's will?
- B. Or will you repent and follow God's will?

Con. In the end Balaam's way led to death. Jesus offers you life.