

# “The living prophet

is more important to us than a dead prophet...

“... God’s revelations to Adam did not instruct Noah how to build the Ark.

Noah needed his own revelation. Therefore, the most important prophet, so far as you and I are concerned, is the one living in our day and age to whom the Lord is currently revealing His will for us.

Therefore, the most important reading we can do is any of the words of the prophet ... contained each month in our Church magazines. Our marching orders for each six months are found in the general conference addresses, which are printed in the *Ensign* magazine. ... Beware of those who would pit the dead prophets against the living prophets, for the

**living prophets always take precedence.”<sup>NE</sup>**

From President Ezra Taft Benson (1899-1994), “Fourteen Fundamentals in Following the Prophet” (Brigham Young University devotional, Feb. 26, 1980), 2; [speeches.byu.edu](http://speeches.byu.edu).



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