



## **“And Your Sons and Your Daughters Shall Prophesy”**

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### **4 Guidelines for Prophecy in Our Church**

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3. And we must \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Thess 5:19 – 22, 1 John 4:1 – 6)
4. And we must \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:6, 1 Thess 5:19)

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