Prince whom *God, in Mercy*, hath *Set over Us*: but, if we will Forget our *Oaths* and *Obligations*; the *Securities* which we Enjoy both in a *Religious* and *Civil Capacity*; and, Casting behind us our *Faith* as *Christians*, our *Allegiance* as *Subjects*, and our *Happy Subjection* as *English-men*, will *Submit* our *Necks* to *Foreign Yokes*; and, either in *Practice* or *Argument* Abet the *Present Rebellion*; the *Prophet* tells us, in the Text, that we *Rebel against the Lord!* None of the Guilty among us knows, how soon *He* may *Suffer* a *Strange* and *Unexpected Death*, as *Hananiah* did; but we may *All* be assur'd, that we shall *Suffer* a *Political Death*, in as much as *Every Kingdom divided against it self is brought to Desolation.*

Matt. 12. 25.

Therefore thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will Cast Thee from off the Face of the Earth: This Year thou shalt die, because Thou hast Taught Rebellion against the Lord.

In speaking to these Words, I shall consider.

I. What the Prophet here *means* by *Rebellion against the Lord.*

II. *Who* may be *said*, in the *Prophet's Sense*, thus to *Teach Rebellion against the Lord.*

III. I shall bring the *whole Argument* to its *Proper Bearing*: and shew the *Religious* as well as *Civil Reasons*, why we ought to *Abhor* the *present Rebellion*, and bear *Faithful* and *True Allegiance* to the *Present Government.*

I. Then, What doth the *Prophet* here *mean* by *Rebellion against the Lord?*

In Treating upon *This Head*, which is the *Foundation*