



A-Z BIBLE STUDY 5

PROPHETS AND THE WRITINGS

I. MAJOR PROPHETS AND THE WRITINGS

1. We are finishing the Tanakh today! Which is the _____
According to Wikipedia, Tanakh is an acronym, made from the first Hebrew letter of each of the Masoretic Text's three traditional divisions: Torah (literally 'Instruction' or 'Law'),^[10] Nevi'im (Prophets), and Ketuvim (Writings)—hence TaNaKh.
2. All you need to know about Chronicles I and II is that they retell _____
3. No book of the OT presents a portrait of the Messiah as well as the prophet Isaiah. Especially chapter 53. Example: “But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed. We all, like _____ have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”
4. Jesus was known to use the prophets to reveal Himself to those who knew the TaNaKh, saying things like, “I know my _____ and my sheep listen to My voice. John 10:14 Jeremiah 50:6 “My people have become lost sheep; My shepherds have led them astray.”

5. Isaiah warned the people, that not turning back to Yahweh would lead to them being _____ His focus was on the House of Israel that was eventually exiled to _____. More importantly, they were prophesied to be scattered to ALL four corners of the earth and _____. “Moreover, the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other end of the earth; and there you shall serve other gods, wood and stone, which you or your fathers have not known.” Deuteronomy 28:64-68 The good news? Isaiah 11:12 “He will set up a banner for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel (House of Israel), and gather together the dispersed of Judah (House of Judah) from the four corners of the earth.”

The Father is going to bring the scattered back in the end times! But not to the Isreal of this realm!!! Let's get into this! For thus says the Lord God, “Indeed I myself will search for my sheep and seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out my sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I will feed my flock, and I will make them lie down, says the LORD GOD. I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment. And As for you, O my flock, thus says the Lord God: behold I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between Rams and goats.” Ezekiel 34:11-17

6. There are four Major prophets: Isaiah, Ezekiel, Jeremiah and Nehemiah (just like the four _____ And how many Minor prophets? _____ Daniel is considered to be a part of the Writings with Psalms (by David), Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs, which were all written by _____ and go in this order in the OT.

7. Isaiah is sent to prophesy to _____ and very fitting, since Isaiah comes through the tribe of Judah, and the Book of Isaiah is very prophetic of the _____. Isaiah is FILLED with end time prophesy! Isaiah 33:20-24 “Look upon Zion, the city of our appointed feasts; Your eyes will see Jerusalem, a quiet home, A tabernacle that will not be taken down; Not one of its stakes will ever be removed, Nor will any of its cords be broken. But there the majestic Lord will be for us. A place of broad rivers and streams, In which no galley with oars will sail, Nor majestic ships pass by (For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us): Your tackle is loosed, They could not strengthen their mast, They could not spare the sail. Then the prey of great plunder is divided; the lame take the prey. And the inhabitant will not say, “I am sick”; The people who dwell in it will be forgiven their iniquity.”

8. Jeremiah is also sent to _____ and prophesies they will be taken by _____

He also prophesies the specific time frame that they will be exiled and then allowed to return, which is _____

Why are they exiled for that many years? It was the same amount of _____ that were not adhered to from the time of Saul (first king) and the Babylonian take-over! While Daniel was exiled to Babylon, he figured out the amount of time by reading the prophesies. "I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the LORD through Jeremiah the prophet, that HE would accomplish seventy years in desolations of Jerusalem." Daniel 9:1-2.

Also, _____ was exiled along with Daniel to Babylon. His prophesies included the impending destruction of the _____ through a series of GREAT visions.

9. Jeremiah is also packed with end time events! "I have heard what the prophets say, what they prophesy in my name, saying falsely, I have seen a night vision. How long shall these things be in the heart of prophets that prophesy lies, when they prophesy the purposes of their own heart, who devise that men may forget my law by their dreams, which they have told everyone to his neighbor, as their fathers forgot my name and in the worship of Baal." Jeremiah 23 25:27

10. Jeremiah also wrote the Book of _____ Which is predominately about the daughter of Zion!

11. During the time of Jeremiah, the Medes come on the scene and captured the _____ And at the end of 70 year captivity, the Persians take _____ Under King Cyrus, the new empire called _____ captures _____ And eventually, Greece makes their way onto the scene, as showcased in the Book of Daniel!

12. Incredibly, _____ prophecies of a “King Cyrus”, how many years before it happens? _____

13. Who was it that appealed to Cyrus for permission to rebuild the temple?

14. Another prophet, not named under the major or minor prophets was: _____

Along with Nehemiah, he also went back to Jerusalem to help build the wall. He first gathered all the men of Judah and made them pledge they would put away

II Ezra (Esras - from the Apocrypha), gives such insight as to why obeying God is important! II Ezra 9:3-12 Therefore when there shall be seen earthquakes and uproars of the people in the world: Then shalt thou well understand, that the most High spoke of those things from the days that were before thee, even from the beginning. For like as all that is made in the world hath a beginning and an end, and the end is manifest: Even so the times also of the Highest have plain beginning in wonder and powerful works, and endings in effects and signs. And every one that shall be saved and shall be able to escape by his works, and by faith, whereby ye have believed, shall be preserved from the said perils, and shall see my salvation in my land, and within My borders: for I have sanctified them for Me from the beginning. Then shall they be in pitiful case, which now have abused My ways: and they that have cast them away despitefully shall dwell in torments. For such as in their life have received benefits and have not known Me; and they that have loathed my law, while they had yet liberty, and when as yet place of repentance was open unto them, understood not, but despised it; the same must know it after death by pain.”

II. Minor Prophets A list of the Minor prophets that speak to the people of their time AND the end-time people:

Hosea- means salvation- he was told to marry a wayward wife who is a type of

_____ Hosea prophesies of the current House of Israel being scattered and not God's people and a future Israel and Judah coming back together at the end. *Popular scripture: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge..... However! That's where the church always ends the scripture. Let's finish it! "Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priests for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God. I also will forget your children." This book also mentions the people's nakedness, which is sin with their own types of feasts (or in general, walking in disobedience and men's traditions), new moons and their Sabbaths! Let's look at a few interesting verses! Hosea 2:14 "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, I will bring her into the wilderness and speak comfort to her." 2:18 "In that day I will make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, with the birds of the air, and with the creeping things of the ground. Bow and sword of battle I will shatter from the earth, to make them lie down safely." 3:5 "Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the Lord their God and David their king. They shall fear the Lord and His goodness in the latter days." 8:1 "Set the trumpet to your mouth! He shall come like an eagle against the house of the Lord, Because they have transgressed My covenant and rebelled against My law.

Joel- means _____ - Joel speaks predominately about end times! From the sun and moon turning dark, to the 1000-year reign and the battle of Armageddon. A lot of the Bowls of Revelation are found here!

Amos- means _____ He also speaks about evil men ruling the nations and the harvest will then come – which is the 7th Trumpet in the Book of Revelation!

Obediah- means _____ Let's look at 1:3 "The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, Whose habitation is high; You who say in your heart, 'Who will bring me down to the ground? Though you ascend as high as the eagle, And though you set your nest among the stars, From there I will bring you down, says the Lord.'" Clefts of the rock language is found in the 6th Seal of the Book of Revelation.

I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rock of the mountains and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand."

Jonah was commissioned to go and speak to the people of? _____

This is the capital of what empire? _____ And where were the 10 tribes exiled? _____ -

And who did Jesus say He came for in Matthew 15:24?

Jonah's message told the people that in _____ total destruction would be upon them if they did not repent. How many days was Jesus in the wilderness, fasting and praying? _____

But let's investigate this fish story a little closer!

Jonah's experience in the whale is a type of foreshadowing of what occurrence?

_____ Matthew 12:40 "As Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the fish, so will the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

Let's read Jonah 2:1-10 Let's look at what Jesus did when he was in the 'heart of the earth' or Hades: 1 Peter 3:19 "by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, who were formerly disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared..."

Micah- his name means _____ Again, there is a lot of prophesy about the "latter days" when the Mountain of the Lord's House shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it. Many nations shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk in His paths. For out of Zion the law shall go forth, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem". 4:1-2

Nahum- means 'comforter'.

Habakkuk- his name means _____.

Zephaniah- means _____. This prophet spoke about King of Israel in Chapter 3:14-20 and bringing the people back that have been scattered!

Haggai means festive. Haggai has more end-time prophesy! 2:22 “I will shake heaven and earth. I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms; I will destroy the strength of the Gentile kingdoms. I will overthrow the chariots and those who ride in them; the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.”

Zechariah- his name means remembered by Yahweh! Zechariah is jam packed with prophesy and it's hard to pick one! 8:13 “And it shall come to pass that just as you were a curse among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, So I will save you, and you shall be a blessing.”

Malachi- the last Book of the OT means my messenger: 3:1 “Behold, I send My Messenger, and he will prepare the way before Me. And the LORD, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming,” says the LORD? Who is the Messenger in this prophesy? _____

15. Getting back to exile: The major theme of all minor and major prophets is this: “Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their way and by their doings: their way was before Me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. Wherefore I poured My fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land for their idols wherewith they had polluted it: And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.” Ezekiel 36:16-19 “But it shall come about, if you do not obey the LORD your God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes with which I charge you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you.” Deuteronomy 28:15 Remember: there are _____ for disobedience.

16. Some of the things they were doing that were recorded: “For the customs of the peoples are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe. They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.” Jeremiah 10:3-4 Where did this come from? _____

17. What is Christmas steeped in? _____

18. The Book of Daniel is often compared to The Book of Revelation. This entire book is about a man, his three friends Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego who are exiled to _____

19. Daniel also prophesies of a Kingdom yet to come, “In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. This is the meaning of the vision of the rock cut out of the mountain, but not by human hands- a rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces.” Daniel 2:44-45 Who is the rock? _____

20. We are repeating history by not following the ways of Yah – which Jesus said, “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life”, and yet we do not follow the way of Yah. That is why this age, along with this earth, will pass.

Pagan Holidays:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwg11nFNT68>