

Review

53. What are 4 lessons learned from Zephaniah?

1. None will escape the judgment of the Lord, Zeph. 1:2-3, 3:12-15.
2. Can not serve 2 masters, Zeph. 1:5.
3. When the Lord comes in judgment, the things of this world in which men have put their trust shall not deliver evildoers, Zeph. 1:18.
4. Men should seek the Lord in humility, Zeph. 2:3.

54. What are lessons learned from Haggai?

1. Those who put their trust in material possessions are not rich toward God, Hag. 1:2-6.
2. Put first things first, Hag. 2:15-19.

55. What are lessons learned from Zechariah?

1. God's word will endure forever and His purposes will be accomplished, Zech. 1:5-6.
2. God is our source of strength, Zech. 4:6-10.
3. God expects His people to listen to His word and do good while our hearts are receptive to His messages, Zech. 7:8-14.

58. What are lessons learned from Malachi?

1. God demands respect, honor and right attitudes in worship service. Mal. 1:6-10.
2. God can be robbed in tithes and offerings, Mal. 3:8-10.
3. Teachers of God's Word are held accountable for speaking and teaching truth, Mal. 2:6-10.

Class Look Back

1. Introduction.
2. Shaking Hands with the Prophets.
3. Audience & Times of the Writing.
4. Why Was The Letter Written?
5. What Was Written?
6. Key Messages & Lessons.

Why This Study?

- **EXAMPLES TO AVOID** - I Cor. 10:6,11.
- **IT IS GOD'S WORD** - Hos. 1:1, Joel 1:1.
- **GOD RULES IN THE KINGDOMS OF MEN.**
- **HOPE IN JESUS CHRIST** - Rom. 15:4-5.
- **GOD'S PURPOSE IN OT** - Rom. 10:4.

Rom. 15:3-6 (NASB).

“⁴ FOR WHATEVER WAS WRITTEN IN EARLIER TIMES WAS WRITTEN FOR OUR INSTRUCTION, THAT THROUGH PERSEVERANCE AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE SCRIPTURES WE MIGHT HAVE **HOPE**. ⁵ NOW MAY THE GOD WHO GIVES PERSEVERANCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT GRANT YOU TO BE OF THE SAME MIND WITH ONE ANOTHER **ACCORDING TO CHRIST JESUS**”,

Rom. 10:4 (NASB).

“FOR CHRIST IS THE END (GOAL, NASB FOOTNOTE) OF THE LAW FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS TO EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES”,

Messianic Prophecies

OBJECTIVES:

1. Identify when Messianic Prophecy is present.
2. Utilize NT to interpret the prophecy.
3. Understand the main messages of these prophecies.

No. of Messianic Prophecies

1. Ten out of 12 prophets contain Messianic Prophecies.
2. Prophets without Messianic Passages are: Nahum and Habakkuk.
3. There are 22 sections with Messianic Passages.
4. Hosea (1), Joel (2), Amos (1), Obadiah (1), Jonah (1), Micah (3), Zephaniah (1), Haggai (2) and Zechariah (9) and Malachi (1).

Identifying Messianic Prophecies

- ★ Difficult to identify especially when not quoted in NT.
- ★ Keys to identify.
 1. Universal and absolute statements are made that are difficult to physically fulfill by the Jewish nation.
 2. Fulfillment of the prophecies do not fit with their history as we know it.
 3. Includes statements of salvation and redemption for the Gentiles.

Zion

- ★ Used in the Minor Prophets — an understanding will assist in interpreting Scripture.
- ★ Definition = It is the dwelling place of God among His redeemed people where they find security and peace.

History of Zion

- ★ A prominent hill in the Jerusalem that David captured from the Jebusites, 2 Sam. 5:6-7.
- ★ David brought the Ark of the Covenant to Zion, 2 Sam. 6:12.
- ★ Solomon moved the Ark of the Covenant from Zion to the temple, which was built on Mount Moriah, 1 Ki. 8:1, 2 Chron. 3:1-2.

Map of Jerusalem



History of Zion

- ★ The name Zion was extended to include the **temple**, Ps. 20:2, 74:2-3.
- ★ Zion is often used for the **whole of Jerusalem**, 2 Ki. 19:21,31, Ps. 48:1-2.

Zion In Psalms

- ★ 2:6 -- Messianic – installed my King upon Zion
- ★ 9:11 – Lord dwells in.
- ★ 14:7 – salvation come out of Zion

Zion In Isaiah

- ★ 4:4 – Messianic – Lord washed the filth of the daughters of Zion.
- ★ 10:24 – O My people who dwell in Zion.
- ★ 14:32 -- LORD has founded Zion, And the afflicted of His people will seek refuge in it.

Zion In Minor Prophets

- ★ Joel 3:16 — The LORD roars from Zion ...But the LORD is a refuge for His people.
- ★ Mic. 4:10 — Daughter of Zion ... There the LORD will redeem you From the hand of your enemies.
- ★ Zech. 8:3: I will return to Zion and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem. Then Jerusalem will be called the City of Truth.

Denotation & Connotation

- ★ Denotation = the explicit or direct meaning or set of meanings of a word or expression ... (dictionary.com)
- ★ Connotation = the associated or secondary meaning of a word or expression in addition to its explicit or primary meaning. (dictionary.com)
- ★ Examples: home, dove, dog.

Multiple Meanings

- ★ Literal physical meaning = mountain (mount) where the temple was built upon, [Ps. 20:2, 74:2-3](#).
- ★ Extended literal physical meaning = Jerusalem, [2 Ki. 19:21,31, Ps. 48:1-2](#).
- ★ Spiritual meaning to the Jews = It became a symbol of an impregnable stronghold against its enemies and the dwelling place of God among His people.

Multiple Meanings

- ★ Temple was destroyed due to their iniquities and the Lord had to restore a new Zion.
- ★ Zion = It is the dwelling place of God among His redeemed people where they find security and peace.
- ★ This definition is confirmed in Heb. 12:22-24. We have come to Mount Zion (past tense), we are part of church (universal) – all made possible through the shedding of blood of Jesus Christ.