

Review

23. What 3 prophets prophesied to other nations other than Israel and Judah? Who was their audience?

Jonah - Nineveh

Nahum - Nineveh

Obadiah - Edom

24. What 3 prophets were contemporary with Isaiah?

Amos, Hosea, Micah.

25. What 3 prophets were contemporary with Jeremiah?

Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah.

26. What were moral, religious and political/physical conditions of Israel during the times of Amos and Hosea writing?

a. moral: stealing, murder, adultery (Hos. 4:2), poor oppressed (Amos. 4:1), righteous distressed (Amos 5:11).

b. religious: worshipping Baals (Hos. 2:13), lack of knowledge (Hos. 4:6), assaulted the prophets (Amos 2:12).

c. political/physical: prosperous (Hos. 10:1), expanded territory (2 Ki. 14:25,28).

27. What was the situation during the times of Joel?

Severe Locust Plague.

Nation (1:6) used figurative for Locusts.

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Obadiah

- THE HATRED EDOM HELD FOR THEIR BLOOD BROTHERS, ISRAEL, GOES BACK TO THE TIME WHEN THEIR FATHER ESAU WAS BORN, GEN. 25:22-34.
- THE EDOMITES DWELT IN MT. SEIR AT THE SOUTH END OF THE DEAD SEA. THIS TERRITORY IS ALSO REFERRED TO AS IDUMEA. THEY CONSTANTLY SHOWED INDIGNATION AGAINST ISRAEL, EVEN REFUSING SIMPLE PASSAGE THROUGH THEIR LAND WHEN ISRAEL FIRST CAME FROM EGYPTIAN CAPTIVITY, NUM. 20:14-21.

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Obadiah

- THE PRIDE OF EDOM AND THE PERPETUAL HATRED FOR GOD'S PEOPLE BROUGHT THE WRATH OF THE LORD AGAINST THIS LAND. EVEN IN LATER YEARS EDOM STOOD READY TO REJOICE OVER EVERY SETBACK ENDURED BY ISRAEL AND JUDAH, NEVER HELPING BUT ALWAYS GLOATING.

- MAL. 1:2-3: “ 2 ... DECLARES THE LORD ... 3 BUT I HAVE HATED ESAU, AND I HAVE MADE HIS MOUNTAINS A **DESOLATION**, AND APPOINTED HIS INHERITANCE FOR THE **JACKALS** OF THE WILDERNESS.”

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Jonah

- JONAH LIVED DURING THE REIGN OF JEROBOAM II, KING OF NORTH ISRAEL. JEROBOAM FOUND THE KINGDOM WEAK. UNDER JEROBOAM, THE PEOPLE BEGAN TO REVIVE THEIR FORMER STRENGTH. HE CAPTURED HAMATH AND DAMASCUS AND RESTORED TO ISRAEL ALL THE TERRITORY STRETCHING SOUTHWARD FROM HAMATH TO THE DEAD SEA. IN ASSYRIA, ON THE CONTRARY, THE PREVAILING CONDITIONS WERE JUST THE OPPOSITE EVERYTHING WAS MOST DISCOURAGING, ASSYRIA WAS LOSING GROUND. IN OTHER WORDS, ISRAEL WAS IN THE ASCENDANCY, ASSYRIA WAS ON THE DECLINE.

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Micah

- MICAH 2:1-2: “2:1 WOE TO THOSE WHO SCHEME **INIQUITY**, WHO WORK OUT **EVIL** ON THEIR BEDS! WHEN MORNING COMES, THEY DO IT, FOR IT IS IN THE POWER OF THEIR HANDS. 2 THEY COVET **FIELDS** AND THEN SEIZE THEM...” .
- 3:1-3: “AND I SAID, “HEAR NOW, **HEADS** OF JACOB AND **RULERS** OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL. IS IT NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW **JUSTICE**? 2 “YOU WHO **HATE** GOOD AND LOVE EVIL” .

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Micah

- 6:11-12: “CAN I JUSTIFY **WICKED** SCALES AND A BAG OF DECEPTIVE WEIGHTS? 12 “FOR THE RICH MEN OF THE CITY ARE FULL OF **VIOLENCE**, HER RESIDENTS SPEAK **LIES**, AND THEIR TONGUE IS **DECEITFUL** IN THEIR MOUTH”.
- 7:2-3: “2 THE **GODLY** PERSON HAS PERISHED FROM THE LAND, AND THERE IS NO **UPRIGHT** PERSON AMONG MEN. ALL OF THEM LIE IN WAIT FOR **BLOODSHED**; EACH OF THEM HUNTS THE OTHER WITH A NET. 3 CONCERNING EVIL, BOTH HANDS DO IT WELL. THE PRINCE ASKS, ALSO THE JUDGE, FOR A **BRIBE**, ...”.

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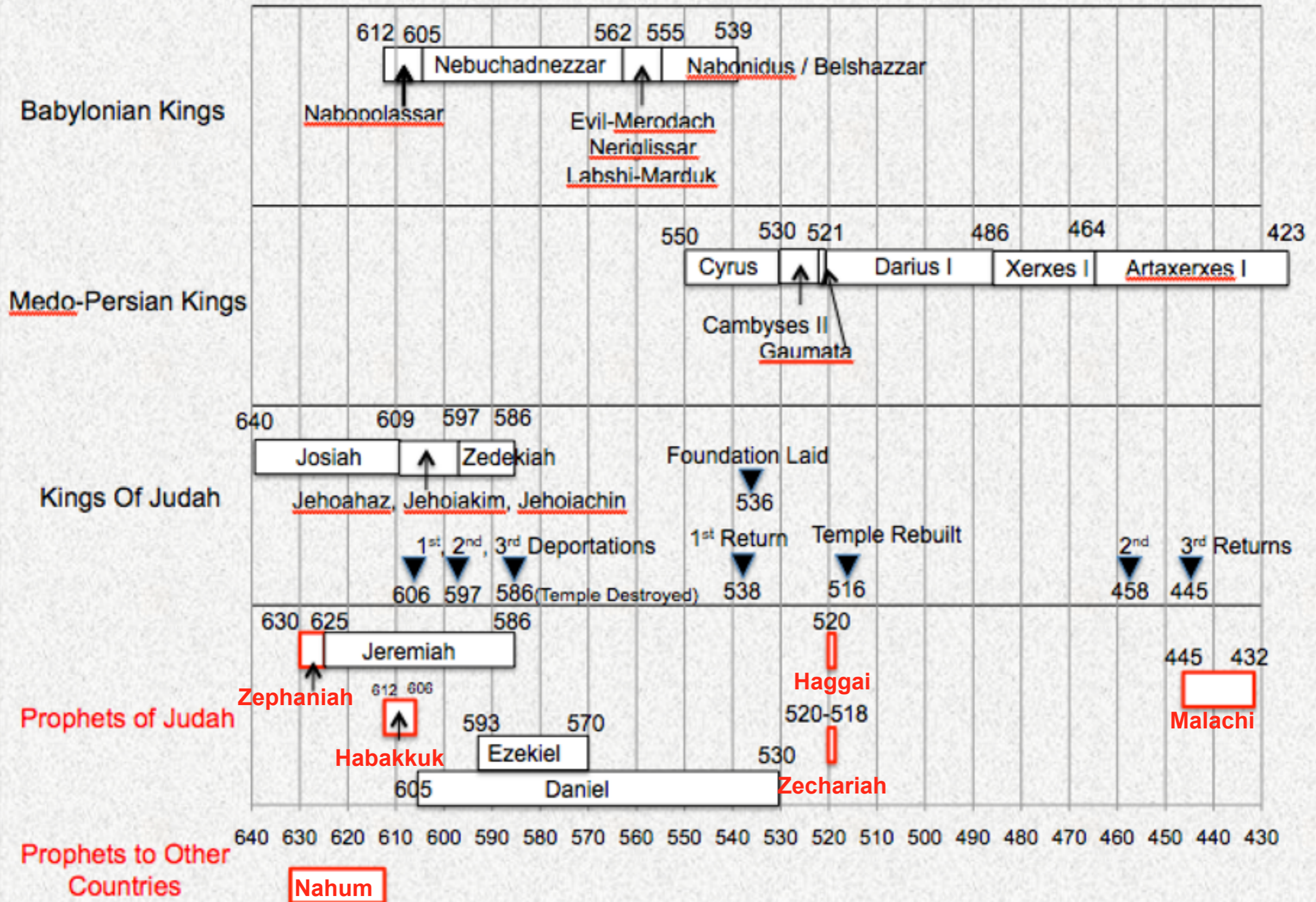
Micah

- 2CH. 28:1-4: “ AHAZ ... DID NOT DO RIGHT IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD ... HE ALSO MADE MOLTEN IMAGES FOR THE BAALS. ..., HE BURNED INCENSE IN THE VALLEY OF BEN-HINNOM, AND BURNED HIS SONS IN FIRE” .

- ISA. 36:1: “ ...IN THE FOURTEENTH YEAR OF KING HEZEKIAH, SENNACHERIB KING OF ASSYRIA CAME UP AGAINST ALL THE FORTIFIED CITIES OF JUDAH AND SEIZED THEM.” .

Date of the Writing.

Prophets 640 – 430 B.C.



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Nahum

- ISA. 10:12, 18: “12 ... WHEN THE LORD HAS COMPLETED ALL HIS WORK ON MOUNT ZION AND ON JERUSALEM, HE WILL SAY, “I WILL PUNISH THE FRUIT OF THE ARROGANT HEART OF THE KING OF ASSYRIA AND THE POMP OF HIS HAUGHTINESS.” 18 AND HE WILL DESTROY THE GLORY OF HIS FOREST AND OF HIS FRUITFUL GARDEN ...”

The Times of the Writing.

Habakkuk

- HAB. 1:5-6: “5 “LOOK AMONG THE NATIONS! OBSERVE! BE ASTONISHED! WONDER! BECAUSE I AM DOING SOMETHING IN YOUR DAYS-- YOU WOULD NOT BELIEVE IF YOU WERE TOLD. 6 “FOR BEHOLD, I AM RAISING UP THE CHALDEANS, THAT FIERCE AND IMPETUOUS PEOPLE WHO MARCH THROUGHOUT THE EARTH TO SEIZE DWELLING PLACES WHICH ARE NOT THEIRS”.

The Times of the Writing.

Habakkuk

• 2 CHRON. 36:14, 17-19: “ 14 FURTHERMORE, ALL THE OFFICIALS OF THE **PRIESTS** AND THE **PEOPLE** WERE VERY **UNFAITHFUL** FOLLOWING ALL THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE NATIONS; AND THEY **DEFILED** THE HOUSE OF THE **LORD** WHICH HE HAD SANCTIFIED IN JERUSALEM. 17 THEREFORE HE BROUGHT UP AGAINST THEM THE KING OF THE **CHALDEANS** WHO SLEW THEIR YOUNG MEN WITH THE SWORD IN THE HOUSE OF THEIR SANCTUARY, AND HAD NO **COMPASSION** ON YOUNG MAN OR VIRGIN, OLD MAN OR INFIRM; HE GAVE THEM ALL INTO HIS HAND. 18 AND ALL THE **ARTICLES** OF THE HOUSE OF GOD, GREAT AND SMALL, AND THE TREASURES OF THE HOUSE OF THE **LORD**, AND THE TREASURES OF THE KING AND OF HIS OFFICERS, HE **BROUGHT** THEM ALL TO **BABYLON**. 19 THEN THEY **BURNED** THE HOUSE OF GOD, AND BROKE DOWN THE WALL OF JERUSALEM AND BURNED ALL ITS FORTIFIED BUILDINGS WITH FIRE, AND DESTROYED ALL ITS VALUABLE ARTICLES” .

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Habakkuk

- 2 Ki. 23:31-32: “31 JEHOAHAZ WAS TWENTY-THREE YEARS OLD WHEN HE BECAME KING, AND HE REIGNED THREE MONTHS IN JERUSALEM ... 32 AND HE DID **EVIL** IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD, ACCORDING TO ALL THAT HIS **FATHERS** HAD DONE”.

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Zephaniah

- ZEPH. I:4-6: “So I will stretch out My hand against **JUDAH** AND AGAINST ALL THE INHABITANTS OF **JERUSALEM**. AND I will cut off the remnant of **BAAL** FROM THIS PLACE, AND THE NAMES OF THE IDOLATROUS PRIESTS ALONG WITH THE PRIESTS. 5 “AND THOSE WHO BOW DOWN ON THE HOUSETOPS TO THE HOST OF HEAVEN, AND THOSE WHO BOW DOWN AND SWEAR TO THE **LORD** AND YET SWEAR BY **MILCOM**, 6 AND THOSE WHO HAVE **TURNED BACK** FROM FOLLOWING THE **LORD**, AND THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SOUGHT THE **LORD** OR INQUIRED OF HIM”.

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Zephaniah

- 1:12-13, 18: “13 MOREOVER, THEIR WEALTH WILL BECOME **PLUNDER**, AND THEIR HOUSES **DESOLATE**; YES, THEY WILL BUILD HOUSES BUT NOT INHABIT THEM, AND PLANT VINEYARDS BUT NOT DRINK THEIR WINE. 18 NEITHER THEIR SILVER NOR THEIR GOLD WILL BE ABLE TO DELIVER THEM ON THE DAY OF THE LORD’S WRATH; AND ALL THE EARTH WILL BE **DEVoured**...” .

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Zephaniah

• 2 CHRON. 33:1-3, 20-25: “MANASSEH WAS TWELVE YEARS OLD WHEN HE BECAME KING... 2 AND HE DID **EVIL** IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD ACCORDING TO THE **ABOMINATIONS** OF THE NATIONS WHOM THE LORD DISPOSSESSED BEFORE THE SONS OF ISRAEL. 3 FOR HE **REBUILT** THE HIGH PLACES WHICH HEZEKIAH HIS FATHER HAD BROKEN DOWN; HE ALSO **ERECTED** ALTARS FOR THE **BAALS** AND MADE **ASHERIM**, AND WORSHIPED ALL THE HOST OF HEAVEN AND SERVED THEM”.

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Zephaniah

• 2 KI. 23:23-26: “ 23 BUT IN THE EIGHTEENTH YEAR OF KING JOSIAH, THIS PASSEVER WAS OBSERVED TO THE LORD IN JERUSALEM. 24 MOREOVER, JOSIAH REMOVED THE MEDIUMS AND THE SPIRITISTS AND THE TERAPHIM AND THE IDOLS AND ALL THE ABOMINATIONS THAT WERE SEEN IN THE LAND OF JUDAH AND IN JERUSALEM... 25 ¶ AND BEFORE HIM THERE WAS NO KING LIKE HIM WHO TURNED TO THE LORD WITH ALL HIS HEART AND WITH ALL HIS SOUL AND WITH ALL HIS MIGHT, ACCORDING TO ALL THE LAW OF MOSES; NOR DID ANY LIKE HIM ARISE AFTER HIM. 26 HOWEVER, THE LORD DID NOT TURN FROM THE FIERCENESS OF HIS GREAT WRATH WITH WHICH HIS ANGER BURNED AGAINST JUDAH, BECAUSE OF ALL THE PROVOCATIONS WITH WHICH MANASSEH HAD PROVOKED HIM”.

Lessons.

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- GOD IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SINNERS EVEN THOUGH HE KNOWS THE MAJORITY WOULD NOT REPENT. THIS LESSON IS BORN OUT BY GOD SENDING HOSEA AND AMOS TO THE NORTHERN KINGDOM BEFORE THEIR COMPLETE DESTRUCTION.

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Haggai & Zechariah

• EZRA 5:1-2: “WHEN THE PROPHETS, HAGGAI THE PROPHET AND ZECHARIAH THE SON OF IDDO, PROPHESED TO THE JEWS WHO WERE IN JUDAH AND JERUSALEM, ... 2 THEN ZERUBBABEL ... BEGAN TO REBUILD THE HOUSE OF GOD WHICH IS IN JERUSALEM; AND THE PROPHETS OF GOD WERE WITH THEM SUPPORTING THEM.”.

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Haggai & Zechariah

- 6:14: “AND THE ELDERS OF THE JEWS WERE SUCCESSFUL IN BUILDING THROUGH THE PROPHECYING OF HAGGAI THE PROPHET AND ZECHARIAH THE SON OF IDDO. AND THEY FINISHED BUILDING ACCORDING TO THE COMMAND OF THE GOD OF ISRAEL...”.

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Malachi

- MAL. 2:II “JUDAH HAS DEALT TREACHEROUSLY, AND AN ABOMINATION HAS BEEN COMMITTED IN ISRAEL AND IN JERUSALEM; FOR JUDAH HAS PROFANED THE **SANCTUARY** OF THE LORD WHICH HE LOVES, AND HAS **MARRIED** THE DAUGHTER OF A FOREIGN GOD.”
- NEH. 13:23,28: “IN THOSE DAYS I ALSO SAW THAT THE JEWS HAD **MARRIED** WOMEN FROM ASHDOD, AMMON, AND MOAB. 28 EVEN ONE OF THE SONS OF JOIADA, THE SON OF ELIASHIB THE HIGH **PRIEST**...” .

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Malachi

- MAL. 3:7-8: "FROM THE DAYS OF YOUR FATHERS YOU HAVE TURNED ASIDE FROM MY **STATUTES**, AND HAVE NOT KEPT THEM. RETURN TO ME, AND I WILL RETURN TO YOU," SAYS THE LORD OF HOSTS. "BUT YOU SAY, 'HOW SHALL WE RETURN?' 8 "WILL A MAN ROB GOD? YET YOU ARE **ROBBING ME!** BUT YOU SAY, 'HOW HAVE WE ROBBED THEE?' **IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS**".

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Malachi

- NEH. 13:10-12: “I ALSO DISCOVERED THAT THE **PORTIONS** OF THE LEVITES HAD NOT BEEN **GIVEN** THEM, SO THAT THE LEVITES AND THE SINGERS WHO PERFORMED THE SERVICE HAD GONE AWAY, EACH TO HIS OWN **FIELD**. 11 SO I REPRIMANDED THE OFFICIALS AND SAID, “WHY IS THE HOUSE OF GOD **FORSAKEN?**” THEN I GATHERED THEM TOGETHER AND RESTORED THEM TO THEIR POSTS. 12 ALL JUDAH THEN BROUGHT THE **TITHE** OF THE GRAIN, WINE, AND OIL INTO THE STOREHOUSES.”

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