

Review

38. Why was Micah written?

Appeal to listen to God's judgment against Judah and Samaria for their rebellion (1:2-6, 3:8,12; 4:10; 6:1-2).

39. Why was Nahum written?

Announce to Nineveh its coming devastation (1:1, 3, 14; 2:6-10; 3:7).

40. Why was Habakkuk written?

Announce judgment on Judah by Babylon because of their iniquities (1:3, 5-6).

41. Why was Zephaniah written?

Announce day of the LORD is near for Judah, 1:1-7.

42. Why was Haggai written?

Encourage the Returned Exiles to rebuild the temple (1:2, 8, 12, 14-15).

43. Why was Zechariah written?

A call to repentance (1:3-6) and inform the exiles of the future glory and deliverance of Zion through the work of the Messiah.

1. WHAT ARE 5 REASONS TO STUDY THE MINOR PROPHETS?

- AS EXAMPLES TO AVOID, 1 COR. 10:6.
- MAY HAVE HOPE IN CHRIST JESUS, ROM. 15:4.
- BUILD OUR FAITH IN GOD'S PURPOSE FOR THE OT, ROM. 10:4.
- IT IS GOD'S WORD, HOS. 1:1, JOEL 1:1, AMOS 1:3.
- EN-FORCE UNDERSTANDING GOD RULES IN KINGDOMS OF MEN.

3. What is a prophet according to Biblical usage? Provide Scripture.

God's Spokesman, Ex. 4:16, 7:1-2.

5. What are the 2 types of prophets?

1. oral vs literary.
2. major vs. minor.

9. Name the Minor Prophets.

1. Hosea
2. Joel
3. Amos
4. Obadiah
5. Jonah
6. Micah
7. Nahum
8. Habakkuk
9. Zephaniah
10. Haggai
11. Zechariah
12. Malachi

Why Was The Letter Written?

Malachi

- REPROVE THE RETURNED EXILES FOR 1) THEIR IRREVERENCE IN WORSHIP (1:11-12; 2:2,5) AND 2) MARRYING FOREIGN WOMEN (2:11-12, 14, 16). AND URGING REPENTANCE (3:7).

What Was Written?

OBJECTIVE: TO UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THESE LETTERS BY EXAMINING THE DETAILED OUTLINES.

Hosea

Major Divisions

- I. ISRAEL'S UNFAITHFULNESS IS SYMBOLIZED BY HOSEA'S UNFAITHFUL WIFE (1:1-3:5).
- II. THE LORD'S CONTROVERSY WITH ISRAEL (4:1-6:11).
- III. ISRAEL'S CORRUPT POLITICAL CONDITION (7:1-8:14).
- IV. ISRAEL'S APOSTASY SHALL BE REWARDED WITH DESTRUCTION AND EXILE (9:1-13:16).
- V. A FINAL APPEAL FOR REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION (14:1-9).

Hosea

Minor Divisions

I. ISRAEL'S UNFAITHFULNESS IS SYMBOLIZED BY HOSEA'S UNFAITHFUL WIFE (1:1-3:5).

A. HOSEA MARRIED GOMER AND THREE CHILDREN ARE GIVEN PROPHETIC NAMES (1:1-9).

B. **THOUGH CAST OFF, A RETURN TO GOD IS PROPHESED** (1:10-2:1).

C. ISRAEL'S IDOLATRY HAD ESTRANGED HER FROM GOD (2:2-13).

D. **GOD WOULD LURE ISRAEL BACK TO HIMSELF** (2:14-23).

E. HOSEA IS COMMANDED TO BUY GOMER BACK TO HIMSELF (3:1-5).

Hosea

Minor Divisions

II. THE LORD'S CONTROVERSY WITH ISRAEL (4:1-6:11).

A. THERE IS NO TRUTH, MERCY, NOR
KNOWLEDGE OF GOD IN THE LAND (4:1-19).

B. PRIDE AND HYPOCRISY TESTIFY THEY
ARE FIT FOR DESTRUCTION (5:1-15).

C. ISRAEL'S GOODNESS IS AS A MORNING
CLOUD THAT VANISHES QUICKLY (6:1-11).

Hosea

Minor Divisions

III. ISRAEL'S CORRUPT POLITICAL CONDITION (7:1-8:14).

A. THE KING IS MADE GLAD BY THEIR
WICKEDNESS (7:1-7).

B. ISRAEL TURNED TO EGYPT AND ASSYRIA
INSTEAD OF TO GOD (7:8-16).

C. ISRAEL HAS SOWN TO THE WIND AND
MUST REAP THE WHIRLWIND (8:1-14).

Hosea

Minor Divisions

IV. ISRAEL'S APOSTASY SHALL BE REWARDED WITH DESTRUCTION AND EXILE (9:1-13:16).

A. ISRAEL FORSOOK GOD AND WOULD BE TAKEN FROM THE LORD'S LAND (9:1-17).

B. ASSYRIA WILL BE THE INSTRUMENT OF GOD'S JUDGMENT (10:1-15).

C. ISRAEL HAD BEEN UNFAITHFUL IN SPITE OF GOD'S LOVE AND CARE (11:1-12).

D. ISRAEL AND JUDAH BOTH SHOULD BE AS DILIGENT AS THEIR FATHER JACOB (12:1-14).

E. ISRAEL BROUGHT ITSELF TO DESTRUCTION BY REBELLION AGAINST GOD (13:1-16).

Joel

Major Divisions

I. SOUND THE ALARM THE PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS IS COMING (1:1-2:17).

II. BLESSING WILL FOLLOW TRUE REPENTANCE (2:18-2:32).

III. JUDGMENT WILL COME ON THE ENEMIES OF GOD'S PEOPLE (3:1-21).

Joel

Minor Divisions

I. SOUND THE ALARM THE PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS IS COMING (1:1-2:17).

A. EVERYONE WILL TALK ABOUT THIS SCOURGE FOR YEARS TO COME (1:1-4).

B. BOTH NECESSITIES AND LUXURIES WILL BE TAKEN AWAY (1:5-12).

C. DAY OF THE LORD IS AT HAND (1:13-20).

D. SOUND THE ALARM AND LET EVERYONE TREMBLE (2:1-11).

E. HEAR THIS URGENT CALL TO REPENTANCE (2:12-17).

Joel

Minor Divisions

II. BLESSING WILL FOLLOW TRUE
REPENTANCE (2:18-2:32).

A. THE LORD IS JEALOUS FOR HIS PEOPLE
(2:18-27).

B. BLESSINGS UPON GOD'S PEOPLE WILL
EXTEND WELL INTO THE FUTURE (2:28-32).

Joel

Minor Divisions

III. JUDGMENT WILL COME ON THE ENEMIES OF GOD'S PEOPLE (3:1-21).

A. SEVERE PERSECUTION WILL BE REWARDED WITH SEVERE JUDGMENT (3:1-8).

B. TELL THE NATIONS TO PREPARE FOR WAR (3:9-17).

C. JUDAH SHALL DWELL FOREVER (3:18-21).

Amos

Major Divisions

I. JUDGMENT AGAINST BOTH HEATHEN AND COVENANT NATIONS (1:1-2:16).

II. ISRAEL'S CRIMES AND HER CONDEMNATION (3:1-6:14).

III. FIVE VISIONS PRESENT THE CAUSE OF GOD'S JUDGMENT (7:1-9:10).

IV. PROMISES OF A BRIGHT FUTURE — THE MESSIANIC HOPE (9:11-15).

Amos

Minor Divisions

I. JUDGMENT AGAINST BOTH HEATHEN AND COVENANT NATIONS (1:1-2:16).

A. PUNISHMENT PROMISED FOR THE NATIONS BORDERING JUDAH AND ISRAEL (1:1-2:3).

1. DAMASCUS (1:3-5).

2. GAZA (1:6-8).

3. TYRE (1:9-10).

4. EDOM (1:11-12).

5. AMMON (1:13-15).

6. MOAB (2:1-3).

Amos

Minor Divisions

I. JUDGMENT AGAINST BOTH HEATHEN AND COVENANT NATIONS (1:1-2:16).

B. PUNISHMENT PROMISED FOR GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE (2:4-16).

1. JUDAH (2:4-5).

2. ISRAEL (2:6-16).

Amos

Minor Divisions

II. ISRAEL'S CRIMES AND HER CONDEMNATION (3:1-6:14).

A. CONDEMNATION OF THE WEALTHY RULING CLASSES FOR CIVIL AND RELIGIOUS INIQUITIES (3:1-4:5).

B. UNHEEDED CHASTISEMENTS . “PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD” (4:6-13).

C. OVERTHROW OF THE KINGDOM OF THE TEN TRIBES (5:1-6:14).

1. LAMENTATIONS, DENUNCIATIONS, EXHORTATIONS, AND THREATS (5:1-17).

2. FIRST WOE — TERRORS OF THE DAY OF THE LORD (5:18-27).

3. SECOND WOE — UPON THE CARELESS HEADS OF THE NATION (6:1-14).

Amos

Minor Divisions

III. FIVE VISIONS PRESENT THE CAUSE OF GOD'S JUDGMENT (7:1-9:10).

A. THE VISION OF THE LOCUSTS (7:1-3).

B. THE VISION OF THE DEVOURING FIRE (7:4-6).

C. THE VISION OF THE PLUMB LINE (7:7-9).

D. AN INTERLUDE: THE PRIEST TRIES TO SILENCE AMOS (7:10-17).

E. THE VISION OF THE BASKET OF SUMMER FRUIT (8:1-14).

F. THE VISION OF THE SMITTEN SANCTUARY (9:1-10).

Obadiah

Major Divisions

I. EDOM WILL BE TOTALLY DESTROYED
(1:1-9).

II. THE REASON FOR GOD'S JUDGMENT
UPON EDOM (1:10-16).

III. EXALTATION OF ISRAEL & MT. ZION, A
PLACE OF REFUGE AND JUDGMENT (1:17-21).

Lessons.

- THE LORD IS ALL KNOWING OF THE ACTIONS AND ATTITUDES OF HIS COVENANT PEOPLE AND HEATHEN.
- EVEN THOUGH SO MANY JUDGMENTS ARE PRONOUNCED BY THE PROPHETS OF THE LORD, GOD LOVES THE MANKIND AND CONTINUALLY OFFERS A CALL TO REPENTANCE.

Jonah

Major Divisions

I. RUNNING FROM GOD - JONAH'S
DISOBEDIENCE (1:1-17).

II. RUNNING TO GOD - JONAH'S PRAYER
(2:1-10).

III. RUNNING WITH GOD - JONAH'S
PREACHING (3:1-10).

IV. RUNNING AHEAD OF GOD - JONAH'S
COMPLAINTS (4:1-11).