

The Prophets



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The Prophets

Who are the Prophets?

The Day of the Lord

Judgment: The Nations

Judgment: Israel

Blessing on Israel





Who are the Prophets?

The Messengers



Isaiah

The Fall of the Northern Kingdom (722 BC)

- Isaiah 01-12 | Judgment on Israel
- Isaiah 13-35 | Judgment on nations
- Isaiah 36-39 | Deliverance account
- Isaiah 40-55 | The Servant of YHWH
- Isaiah 56-66 | Righteous living





Amos

Lowly Shepherd of Judah vs.
Prosperous Kingdom of the North

- Ch 1 | National Judgment
- Ch 2-4 | Judgment & Guilt on Israel
- Ch 5-6 | Ritualism & Complacency
- Ch 7 | Four Judgment Visions
- Ch 8-9 | The Coming Day: *Judgment & Hope*





The Day of the Lord

That Day. The Great Day.



The Day of the LORD:
Taking Stock

Timing. Pieces.

The Prophet's Message

Repent! Judgment!

Isa 2, Eze 37, Dan 7

Christ's First Coming

Before Christ

Christ's Second Coming

Isa 7, 53 / Micah 5:2

Christ's Second Coming

The Second Coming of Christ

The Day of the LORD



Judgment: Nations



Judgment: Israel



Israel Blessing



The Day of the LORD:
National Judgment

The Fall of Nations.



God's Judgment on the Nations

- Contained in **the Day of the Lord** is the reality of National Judgment.
- A minor prophet theme (i.e. Joel 3, Amos 1).
- A major prophet theme (i.e. Isaiah 13-24, Ezekiel 25-32).

Major theme in the major prophets.



Day of the LORD Judgment in the Prophets

National Judgment, like Messiah's Coming, presented *near* and *far*:

Near Judgment



Far Judgment



Day of the LORD Judgment in the Prophets

Judgment, like Messiah's Coming, presented in two stages

Near Judgment(s)

On Assyria (612 BC)



On Egypt (605 BC)



On Babylon (539 BC)



On Edom (AD 70)



Far Judgment



National Judgment: The Partial, The Fulfillment.

Isaiah 13:1-5

(the partial)



Isaiah 13:6-13

(the fulfillment)





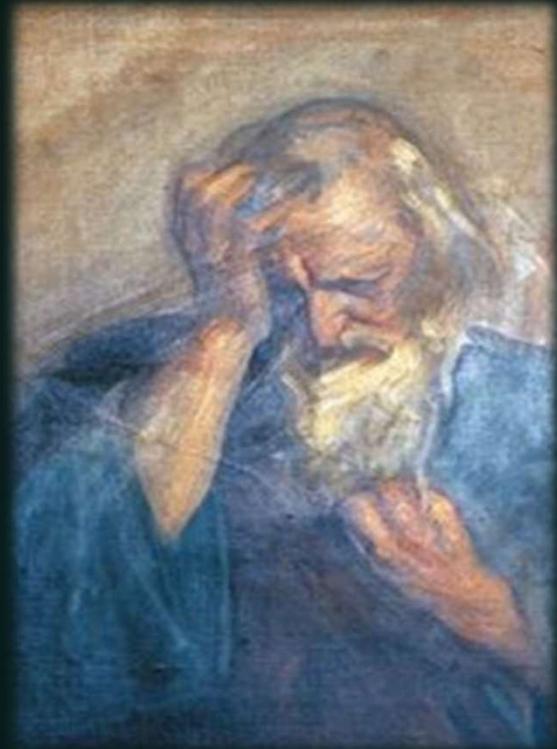
The Day of the LORD:
Judgment on Israel

*“I will not revoke the
punishment.”*

Zephaniah

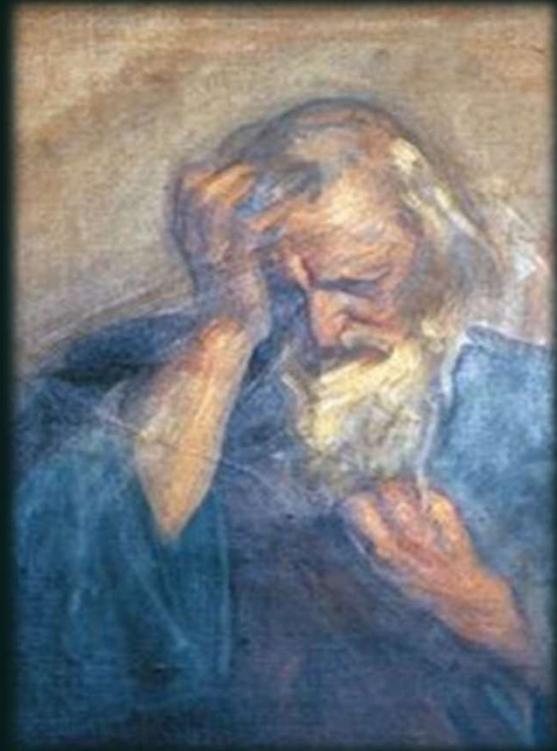


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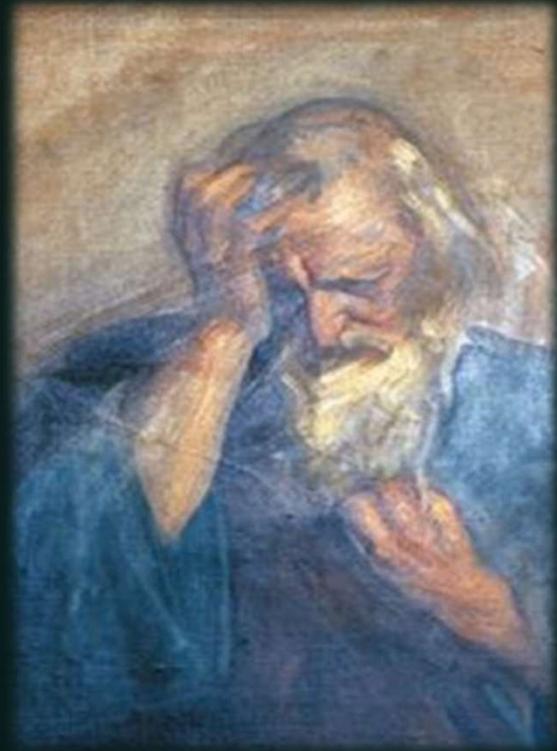
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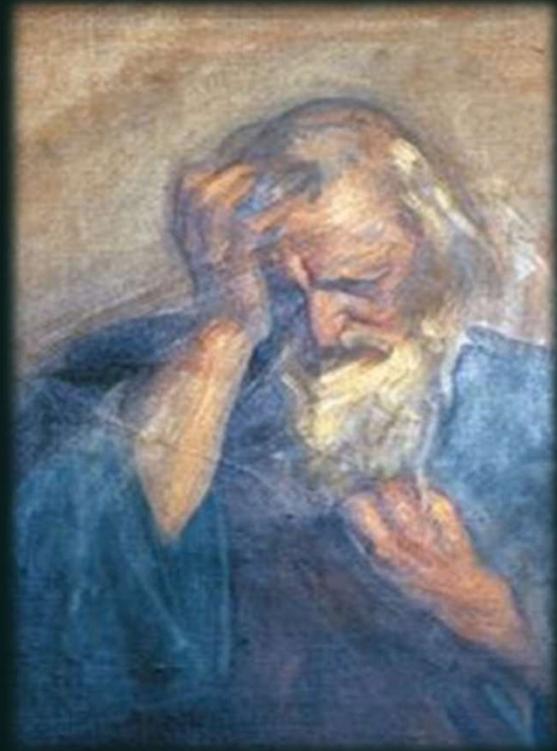
The Day of the Lord: Zephaniah

“The great day of the LORD is near... A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry.”

- Zephaniah 1:14-16

Zephaniah

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- Ch 3:1-8 | Judgment on Jerusalem
- Ch 3:9-20 | Restoration & Rejoicing



Judgment on Israel: The Partial, The Fulfillment.

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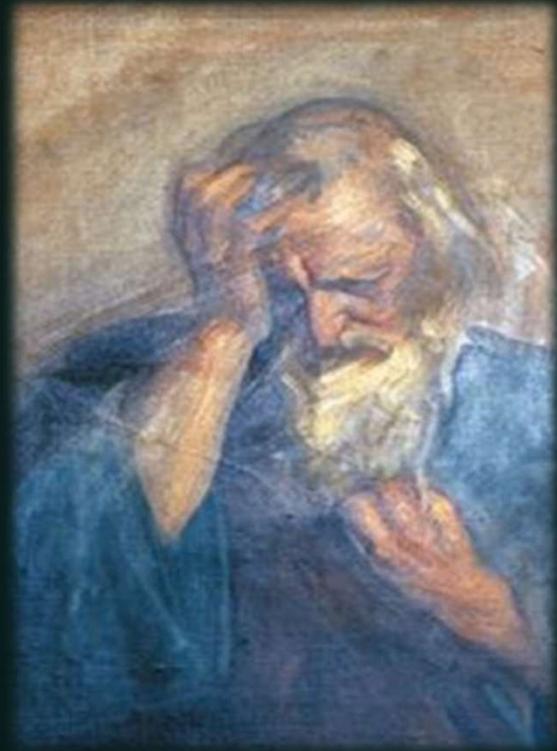
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Zephaniah: National Conversion

“**For at that time** I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech, that *all of them may call upon the name of the LORD* and serve him with one accord.”

- Zephaniah 3:9



Jeremiah

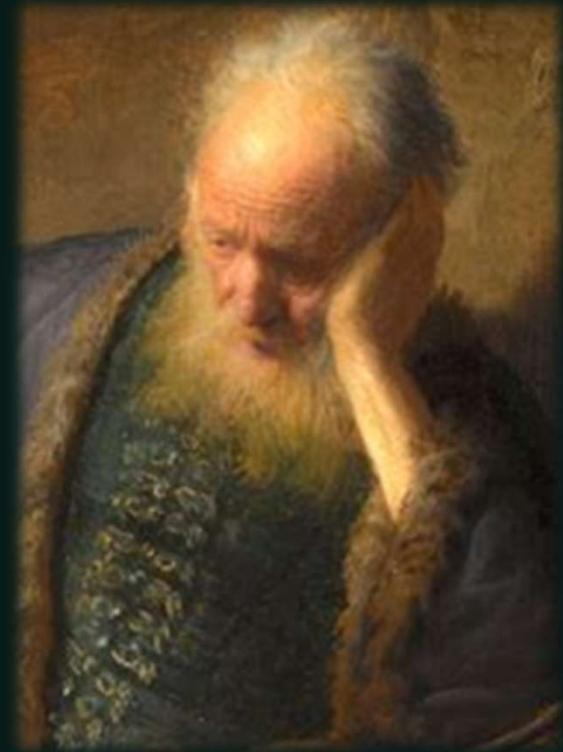
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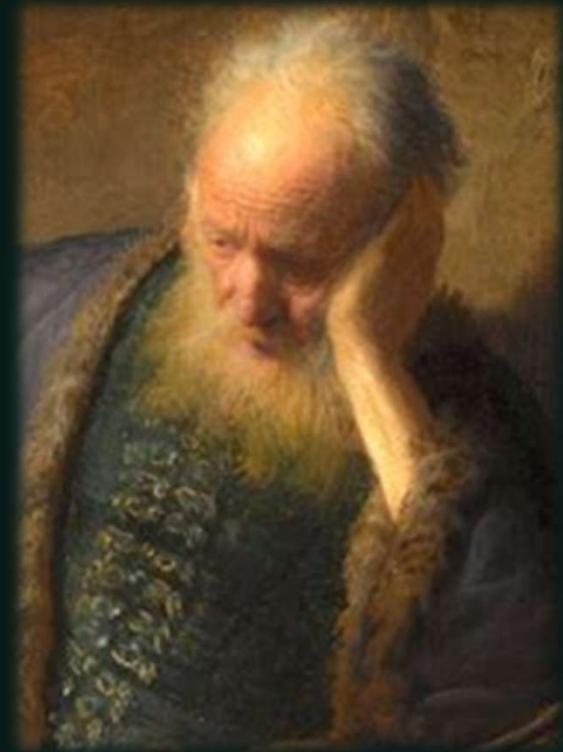
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National Judgment: Jeremiah

“The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet *concerning the nations.*”

- Jeremiah 46:1



Jeremiah

- Ch 1 | The Call of Jeremiah
- Ch 2-45 | **Warnings to Judah**
- Ch 46-51 | Judgment on the Nations
- Ch 52 | The Fall of Jerusalem





Jeremiah

Ch 2-45: **Warnings to Judah**

- Ch 2-29 | 14 Warning Messages
- Ch 30-33 | Restoration: *New Covenant*
- Ch 34-45 | Narratives prior to fall





“Disaster from the
North”

Jeremiah 4:5-18



Judgment on Israel: Jeremiah

“For thus says the LORD: ‘Behold, I will make you a terror to yourself and to all your friends. They shall fall by the sword of their enemies while you look on. **And I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall strike them down with the sword.’”**

- Jeremiah 20:4



The Fall of Jerusalem: Jeremiah 52

“He burned the house of
the LORD.”

Judgment on Israel: Near and Far

Judgment on Israel, like National Judgment, presented *near* and *far*:

Near Judgment



Far Judgment



Day of the LORD: Judgment on Israel

Judgment on Israel, like others, presented *near* and *far*:

Near Judgment(s)

Babylon (586 BC)



Far Judgment



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(The) Day of the LORD

Assyria (722 BC)



Babylon (586 BC)



Antiochus (167 BC)



Titus (AD 70)





A Time of Distress for Jacob:
Tribulation?

A day of *Jacob's trouble*
in the latter days.

Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Jeremiah

“Alas! **That day** is so great there is none like it; it is a time of distress for Jacob...”

- Jeremiah 30:7a

Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Deuteronomy

“When you are in tribulation, and all these things come upon you *in the latter days*, you will return to the LORD your God and obey his voice.”

- Deuteronomy 4:30



Day of the LORD:
Blessing on Israel

“I will restore.”

Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Jeremiah

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Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Jeremiah

*“...yet he shall be saved out of **it**.”*

- Jeremiah 30:7b



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Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Jeremiah

“For behold, *days are coming*, declares the LORD, when I will restore the fortunes of my people, Israel and Judah, says the LORD, and I will bring them back to the land that I gave their fathers, and they shall take possession of it.”

- Jeremiah 30:3

Judgment (and Restoration) for Israel: Jeremiah

“And it shall come to pass **in that day**, declares the LORD of hosts, that I will break his yoke from your neck, and I will burst your bonds, **and foreigners shall no more make a servant of him**. *But they shall serve the LORD their God and David their king, whom I will raise up for them.*”

- Jeremiah 30:8-9



Jeremiah 31: **The New Covenant**

*“I will make a new
covenant.”*

Blessing on Israel: The New Covenant

New Covenant blessing, like others, presented *near* and *far*:

Remnant / Gentile blessing



Full Blessing on Israel



The New Covenant: Church Age Preview

“So too at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace.”

- Romans 11:5

The New Covenant: Church Age Preview

“So I ask, did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, *so as to make Israel jealous*. Now if their trespass means riches for the world, and if their failure means riches for the Gentiles, *how much more will their full inclusion mean!*”

- Romans 11:11-12

The Prophets: Recap

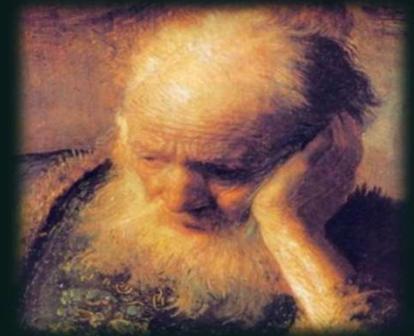
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Israel Blessing



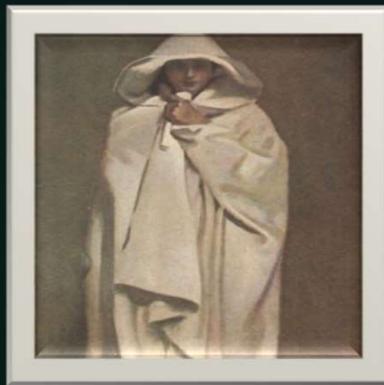
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Next Week

The Day of the Lord: Final Summary

God's Blessing on Israel

The Prophet Hosea



Questions?

