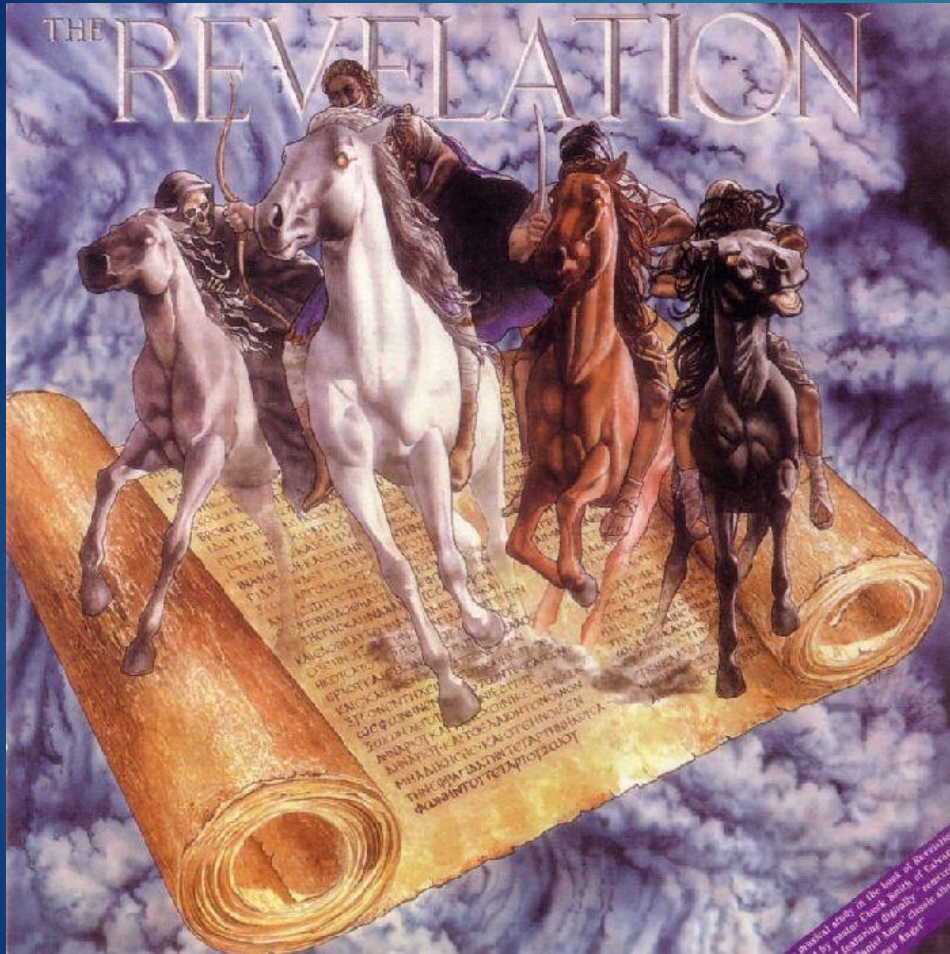


# GOD'S REDEEMPTIVE PLAN FOR THE AGES



Precursory Studies to the Book of Revelation

## Lesson 6

**Micah, Amos,  
Hosea, Habakkuk,  
Zephaniah,  
Jeremiah & Nahum**

[The Latter Prophets]

# PROPHETS SURROUNDING ISAIAH

	JUDAH		ISRAEL
841	<p>Athaliah (-) 841-835</p> <p>Joash (+) 835-795</p> <p>Amaziah (+) 795-767</p> <p>Azariah (+) 767-739 (Uzziah)</p>	<p>← <i>Obadiah?</i></p> <p>← <i>Joel?</i></p> <p>Jonah (Ninevah)</p> <p>Amos →</p> <p>Hosea →</p>	<p>Jehu* 841-813</p> <p>Jehoahaz 813-797</p> <p>Jehoash 797-781</p> <p>Jeroboam II 781-753</p> <p>Zechariah 753 (6 mon.)</p> <p>Shallum* 752 (1 mon.)</p> <p>Menahem* 752-741</p> <p>Pekahiah 741-739</p> <p>Pekah* 739-731</p> <p>Hoshea* 731-722</p>
752	<p>Jotham (+) 750/735-730</p> <p>Ahaz (-) 735/730-715</p>	<p>← <b>Isaiah</b></p> <p>← Micah</p>	
722	<p>Hezekiah (*) 715-686</p> <p>Manasseh (-) 686-642</p> <p>Amon (-) 642-640</p> <p>Josiah (*) 640-609</p>	<p>Nahum (Ninevah)</p> <p>← Jeremiah</p> <p>← Zephaniah</p> <p>← Habakkuk?</p>	<p><u>FALL OF SAMARIA</u> [2 Ki. 17]</p> <p>9 Dynasties* <u>Hosea 8:4</u></p>

JONAH

AMOS

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MICAH

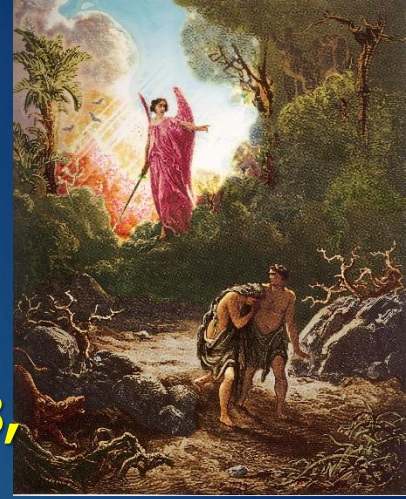
NAHUM

JEREMIAH

ZEPHANIAH

HABAKKUK

# REVIEW—WHAT WE KNOW OF “THE COMING ONE”



- ▶ He will be the “seed of the woman” (**Gen. 3:15**)
- ▶ He will come thru Noah and then Shem (**Gen. 6:9, 18, 9:26**)
- ▶ He will come thru Abraham to bless the nations (**12:1-3**)
- ▶ He will come thru Isaac and Jacob/Israel—His inheritance (**Deut. 32:9**)
- ▶ In the last days, He will come thru Judah and the scepter will not depart from Judah until He comes to whom it belongs—“Shiloh” (**Gen. 49:1, 8-12**)
- ▶ In the last days, He will both devour and rule the nations (**Num. 24:7-9; 14, 17-19**)
- ▶ He will be like Moses, who knew God face to face (**Deut. 18:15; 34:10-12**)
- ▶ He will be a son of David & will have an eternal throne (**2 Sam. 7**)

# THE COMING ONE—cont.

## (Isaiah 1-11)



- ▶ In the last days the mountain of the house of the Lord will be established, and all the nations will stream to it (**2:2ff.**)
  - ▶ For YHVH of hosts will have a day of reckoning against everyone proud and lofty (**2:12**)
  - ▶ In that day the Branch of YHVH will be beautiful and glorious when He has washed away the filth of the daughters of Jerusalem and purged the bloodshed of Jerusalem by **the spirit of judgment and burning** (**4:4**)
- ▶ He will be a shoot from the stem of Jesse (**11:1**)
- ▶ The Spirit of the Lord will rest upon Him (**11:1-5**)

# HE WILL JUDGE THE NATIONS (Isaiah 13-23)

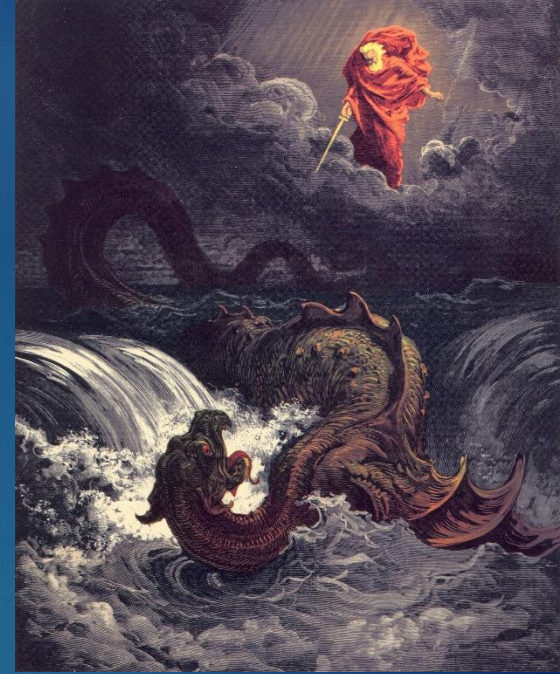


- ▶ The Oracle of the fall of Babylon (**13:1ff.**)
  - ▶ Like Assyria, **10:5-14**, God will have a day of reckoning with Babylon (**13; 14**)
  - ▶ His claim is that he will become like God Most High (**14:12-14**—it is the one behind him)
  - ▶ Nevertheless, he will be thrust down to Sheol (**14:15-21**)
  - ▶ God will raise up **the Medes** against him (**13:17**)
- ▶ All of Israel's enemies will be devastated (**15-23**)

# IN THAT DAY

## Isaiah 27

- ▶ He will slay the dragon who lives in the sea
  - ▶ In that day Jacob will take root and Israel will blossom and sprout (27:6)
  - ▶ In that day a great trumpet will be blown and those perishing will come and worship the lord in the holy mountain at Jerusalem (27:13)



# THE COMING ONE IS MY SERVANT



- ▶ He will bring forth justice to the nations and open blind eyes (**Isa. 42:3, 7**)
- ▶ He is formed from the womb to bring back Jacob and be a light to the nations so that God's salvation may reach the ends of the earth (**Isa. 49:5-6**)
- ▶ He will give His back to those who strike Him (**Isa. 50:6**)
- ▶ He will be pierced thru for our transgressions; cut off from the land of the living; and will justify the many (**Isa. 42:13-53:12**)
- ▶ From Bozrah He will trod the wine trough alone (**Isa. 63:1-4**)
- ▶ Heaven is His throne and earth His footstool (**Isa. 66:1**)

# MICAH (750-686)

## (4:1-8; 5:1-15)

- ▶ In the last days the mountain of the house of the Lord will be established (4:1)
- ▶ Nations will hammer swords into plowshares (4:3)
- ▶ In that day He will assemble the lame, outcasts, a remnant (4:6-7)
- ▶ He will be born in Bethlehem Ephrathah (5:2)
- ▶ His going forth is from long ago, from eternity (cf. Isa. 7:14; 8:8; 9:6-7)
- ▶ Israel will be given up until she who is in labor has born a child (5:3; cf. Isa. 7:14)
- ▶ He will be great to the ends of the earth (5:4)
- ▶ He will deliver Israel from "the Assyrian" (5:5-6; Gog?)



# **AMOS** (761-753) (5:18-20; 9:7-15)



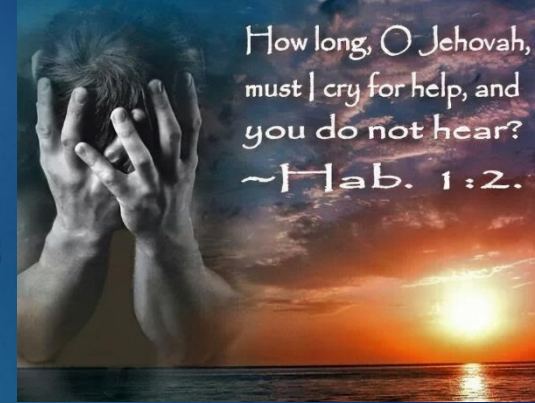
- ▶ The longing for the day of YHVH/Lord will be darkness, not light (5:18-20)
- ▶ The house of Israel will be shaken among the nations (9:9)
- ▶ All sinners will die by the sword (9:10)
- ▶ In that day the fallen booth of David will be restored as in the days of old (9:7)
- ▶ They will possess Edom and all the nations called by His name (9:12)
- ▶ Days are coming when the ploughman will overtake the reaper, i.e., the land will be restored to Eden-like (millennial) conditions from before the fall and the judgment upon the man (9:13-15; cf. Gen. 3:17-18)

# HOSEA (767-686)



- ▶ **2:14-23**—a day when God will allure her into the wilderness to speak kindly to her: (cf. John the Baptist; and remember the exodus chapter 19-24)
  - ▶ There He will remove the Baal's, renew the animal order; abolish bow and sword; and betroth Israel to Himself forever
  - ▶ He will reestablish the bounty of the land (Eden-like)
  - ▶ And those not His people will be His peopleA
- ▶ **3:1-5**—For many days the sons of Israel will be without king or prince; without sacrifice, pillar, ephod or household idols; but afterward will return to seek YHVH and David their king in the latter days
- ▶ **5:15-6:3**—judgment will last until they acknowledge their guilt and seek YHVH's face—for in affliction they will seek Me
- ▶ **9:3-6, 17; 11:5-6**—Israel will return to Egypt; they will wander among the nations, but their Egypt will be Assyria
- ▶ **11:8-11**—Their destruction will not be a complete destruction, for YHVH will roar and His sons will come trembling from the west and He will settle them in their houses

# HABAKKUK (640-609)



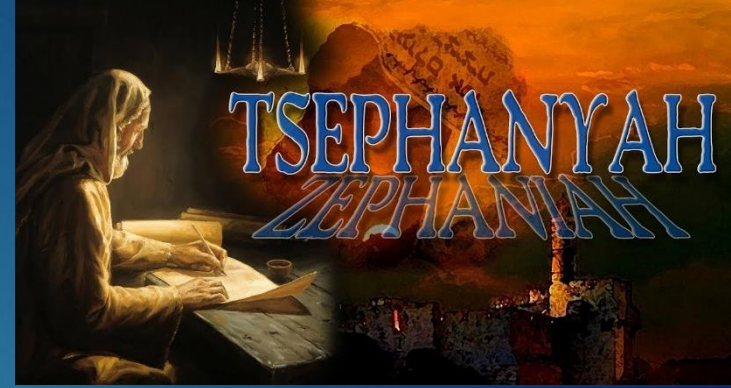
How long, O Jehovah,  
must I cry for help, and  
you do not hear?  
~Hab. 1:2.

- ▶ Habakkuk never addresses Judah directly, but is in a dialogue with God and himself
- ▶ **1:1-11**—he opens with a complaint, because God is raising up the Chaldeans (Babylonians—in 626 they come to power), who are more wicked than Judah, but will be held guilty
- ▶ **2:1-3**—Habakkuk stands watch to see God’s answer
- ▶ **2:4-20**—God’s answer: to the proud and exalting one, nothing but “woe” awaits
- ▶ **3:1-19**—so, Habakkuk calls for a new demonstration of wrath and mercy as in the days of old, choosing therefore to wait on God in faith and trust
- ▶ Consequently, Habakkuk is a demonstration of how the just shall survive the judgment of God, the just shall live by faith (Heb. faithfulness—**2:4**)

“... the just shall live  
by his **faith.**”



# ZEPHANIAH (640-609)



- ▶ His theme is “**the Day of the Lord,**” “the day of YHVH”
- ▶ In spite of **Israel’s destruction** in **722**, Judah refuses to repent and return to YHVH
- ▶ **1:2-6**—so he speaks first, about the coming judgment upon Judah and Jerusalem
- ▶ **1:7-8**—he calls for silence before YHVH, for the day of YHVH is near for Jerusalem (**see Rev. 8:1**); **a day of wrath, trouble, destruction, desolation, darkness, gloom, trumpet and battle cry** upon all mankind (adam), **for all the earth will be devoured**; a complete end to all the inhabitants of the earth (haares)
- ▶ **2:1-3:7**—**gather** therefore, **before the decree takes effect** and humble yourselves, for perhaps you will be hidden
- ▶ **3:8**—**For YHVH will assemble the nations** to pour out His indignation and burning anger on them

# JEREMIAH, PROPHET TO THE NATIONS (640-586)



- ▶ The **first** group of **exiles** were taken in **605 BC**, including **Daniel** and his 3 friends
- ▶ The **second group** of exiles were taken in **597 BC**, with Zedekiah, **Judah and Jerusalem** being **exiled in 586 BC**
- ▶ **Jeremiah's call** for repentance is filled with **great urgency** and tears, coupled with notes of hope
- ▶ **4:27; 5:18-19; 9:7**—the whole land will be a desolation, but not a complete one, for the desolation is to refine them
- ▶ **12:14-17**—YHVH is going to uproot Israel's neighbors from their land, there after, He will have compassion on them
- ▶ **25:15-38**—Jeremiah is told to take this cup of YHVH's wrath and cause all the nations where He sends him to drink of it (**25:15-38**)

# JACOBS TROUBLE

30:4-11

THE TIME  
OF  
JACOB'S  
TROUBLE



- ▶ There is no day like it
- ▶ In that day I will break the yoke of Israel and Judah off their neck
- ▶ Jacob's offspring will return to their land
- ▶ YHVH will destroy completely all the nations where Israel is scattered
- ▶ Israel will be chastened but not completely
- ▶ **30:18-24**—Israel will be His people and He their God; in the latter days they will understand
- ▶ **31:1-14**—the people Israel who survive the sword will find grace in the wilderness (**cf. Exod. 19-24**)

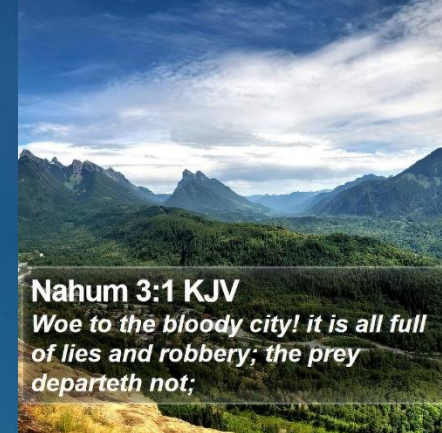
# THE NEW COVENANT

## (31:27-34)



- ▶ **YHVH will make a new covenant with Israel and Judah, not like in Egypt, which they broke**
  - ▶ He will put His law in their heart
  - ▶ He will be their God and they His people
  - ▶ They will all know YHVH
  - ▶ He will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more
- ▶ **31:38-40**—the city shall be rebuilt
- ▶ **32:1-44**—as the sign of God’s word, Jeremiah is to redeem a piece of land
- ▶ **52:1-34**—Nebuchadnezzar comes and captures Jerusalem, and Judah is led away into exile; however, Jehoiachin is shown favor by Evil-merodach

# NAHUM (612)



- ▶ **A sequel to Jonah**
- ▶ **1:2-14**—a jealous and avenging God is YHVH
- ▶ **1:15-2:12**—behold, on the mountains the feet of him who brings good news; never again will Belial pass through you; he is cut-off completely; YHVH will restore the splendor of Jacob
- ▶ **3:1-19**—“woe” to the bloody city