

# The Prophets



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# The Prophets

What is a Prophet?

Who are the Prophets?

The Prophets' Context

The Prophets' Call & Warning

The Prophets' Hope





What is a Prophet?

“One who speaks on  
behalf of God”



Who are the Prophets?

The Messengers





# The Prophets' Message

The Call. The Warning.



# Repent!

“Israel, you have violated the covenant and lived as rebels against your God.”

Isaiah 1



# Repent!

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“Covenant Violations” took 3 main forms before the Exile:

Idolatry



Social Injustice



Ritualism







# Judgment!

*“ ‘Shall I not punish them for these things?’ declares Yahweh, and shall I not avenge myself on a nation such as this?”*

- Jeremiah 5:29







The Prophets' Hope

Restoration.



# Hope

“The steadfast love of the LORD  
never ceases; his mercies never come  
to an end; they are new every  
morning; great is your faithfulness.”

-Lamentations 3:22-23



# Hope in the Prophets

The Prophets brought forth a message of hope with two stages:

First Coming



Second Coming





# Hope in the Prophets

The Prophets brought forth a message of hope with two stages:

The Inside



The Outside





# Hope in the Prophets

The Prophets brought forth a message of hope with two stages:

Already



Not Yet



Already

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“Behold the days are coming, declares the LORD,  
*when I will make a new covenant* with the house  
of Israel and the house of Judah.”

- Jeremiah 31:31

Already

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“This cup that is poured out for you *is the new covenant* in my blood.”

- Luke 22:20

# The Coming Messiah

Micah 5:2

Isaiah 7:14

Zechariah 9:9

Isaiah 53







# Literal Fulfillment

*Was there anything spiritual or symbolic about the First Coming prophecies?*





# Approaching Mountains

One Horizon. Many Peaks.

# The First & Second Coming of Messiah

The Prophets often delivered a message that contained both the First and Second Coming together:

Isaiah 9:6a



Isaiah 9:6b-7



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Zechariah 9:9



Zechariah 9:10





# Second Coming Prophecies

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Isaiah 2:1-5 / Micah 4:1-3

Ezekiel 37:21-23

Daniel 7:13-14

Zephaniah 3:14-20



## The Hope He Brings: *In the “latter days”*

“nation shall not lift up sword  
against nation” (Isa 2:4)

A “united, repentant Israel” (Eze 37)

“everlasting dominion” (Dan 7:14)

“all oppressors dealt with” (Zeph 3)



## First Coming: Other “Already” Fulfillments

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*“And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.”*

- Joel 2:28-29



# Pentecost

“These people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel...”

-Acts 2:15-16





## Second Coming: “Not Yet” Fulfillments

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*“And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”*

- Joel 2:30-32



# Isaiah 11





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*“the stump of Jesse”* (Ruth 4 / Acts 13)

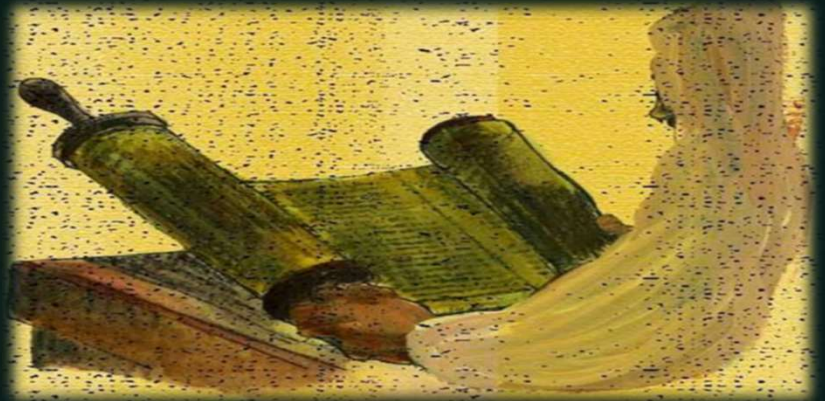




# Isaiah 11

*“the stump of Jesse”* (Ruth 4 / Acts 13)

*“the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him”* (Isaiah 61 / Luke 4)







# Isaiah 11

*“he shall strike the earth with the rod  
of his mouth” (Psalm 2 / Rev 19)*





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*“he shall strike the earth with the rod  
of his mouth” (Psalm 2 / Rev 19)*

*“the wolf shall dwell with the lamb...  
the nursing child... the weaned child”  
(Isaiah 65 / Revelation 20)*



# The Prophets: Recap

## The Prophet's Hope: Restoration

- *"Already / Not Yet"*

"First Coming Fulfillment"

- *The Humble Coming of Messiah*

"Second Coming Fulfillment"

- *The Kingdom Coming of Messiah*



# Next Week

PODS: Group Discussion & Fellowship





Questions?

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