

THE **BIG** PICTURE

PROPHETICAL



ERA/GENRE
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STORYLINE

Prophecy is proclaiming the Word of God, both for the future and in the present.

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EXPANSION

1. Designation: Major and minor prophets
2. Time Period: Pre-exile, exile, or post exile
3. Foretelling: Predicting the future
4. Forthtelling: Proclaiming the teachings of God

SIGNIFICANCE

My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1) What is a prophet as defined in the Old Testament? See Deuteronomy 18:15-22. What happened to people who claimed to be prophets but were not?
- 2) Should we be looking for prophets to guide us today? See Hebrews 1:1-4; 2 Timothy 2:15, 3:16.
- 3) Pick a short prophet and read through it. Suggestions: Habakkuk (3 chapters) or Jonah (4 chapters). What is the central theme? What lessons can you apply today?
- 4) Take a stab at understanding prophecy. Read Daniel 9:20-27. What is this referring to? How could Daniel have known this? How does this type of prophecy strengthen your faith?



Memory Verse

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