

Zephaniah Lesson 1: Handout 1

SUMMARY OF THE BOOK OF ZECHARIAH

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| BIBLICAL PERIOD | #8: After the Assyrian conquest and exile of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and before the Babylonian conquest of the Southern Kingdom of Judah | | | |
| FOCUS | Yahweh's Day of Judgment | | Yahweh's Day of Salvation | |
| COVENANT | THE SINAI COVENANT | | | |
| SCRIPTURE | 1:1-----2:4-----3:1-----3:9-----20 | | | |
| DIVISIONS | Oracles of Universal Judgment | Prophecies Against the Nations | Oracles Against Judah and Jerusalem | Promises of Redemption |
| TOPIC | Day of Wrath | | | Day of Joy |
| LOCATION | The Southern Kingdom of Judah during the reign of King Josiah (ruled 640-609 BC) | | | |
| TIME | Between 640 BC and 624 BC | | | |

MAJOR OLD COVENANT PROPHETS: 9th CENTURY BC – 1st CENTURY AD
(all dates approximate)

| PROPHET OF YAHWEH | DATE OF MINISTRY (approximate) | MINISTRY NATION | HISTORICAL PERIOD | SCRIPTURAL TEXT |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
| ELIJAH | 873-853 BC | Israel | Assyrian Empire | 1 Kings 17-2 Kings 2:15 |
| ELISHA | 853-793 BC | Israel | | 1 Kings 19:1 – 2 Kings 13:21 |
| OBADIAH | ?848-841 BC | Edom | | 2 Kings 8:16-24; 2 Chronicles 21:1-20; Book of Obadiah |
| JONAH | 782-753 BC | Assyria | | 2 Kings 13:10-25; 14:23-29; Book of Jonah |
| AMOS | 783-743 BC | Israel | | 2 Kings 14:23 -15:7; Book of Amos |
| HOSEA | 783-732 BC | Israel | | 2 Kings 14:23-18:12; Book of Hosea |
| ISAIAH | 740-680 BC | Judah | | 2 Kings 15:1-20:21; 2 Chronicles 26:16 – 32:22; Book of Isaiah |
| MICAH | 735-700 BC | Judah | | 2 Kings 15:32 – 19:37; 2 Chronicles 27:1 –32:23; Book of Micah |
| ZEPHANIAH | 640 BC | Judah | | 2 Kings 22:1-2; 2 Chronicles 34:1-7; Book of Zephaniah |
| NAHUM | 614 BC | Assyria | | 2 Kings 21:1-18; 2 Chronicles 33:1-20; Book of Nahum |
| JEREMIAH | 626-586 BC | Judah | Babylonian Empire (Conquers Assyria 606 BC) | 2 Kings 22:3 – 25:30; 2 Chronicles 34:1 – 36:21; Book of Jeremiah |
| HABAKKUK | 605-597 BC | Judah | | 2 Kings 23:31 – 24:7; 2 Chronicles 36:1-8; Book of Habakkuk |
| EZEKIEL | 593-571 BC | Exiles of Judah in Babylon | | 2 Kings 24:8-25:30; 2 Chronicles 36:9-21; Book of Ezekiel |
| BARUCH | 582 BC | Judah | | 2 Kings 24:8-25:30; 2 Chronicles 36:9-21; Book of Baruch |
| DANIEL | 605-535 BC | Exiles in Babylon & Persia | | 2 Kings 23:34-25:30; 2 Chronicles 36:4-23; Book of Daniel |
| HAGGAI | 520 BC | Judah | Persian Empire | Ezra 5:1-6:16; Book of Haggai |

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| ZECHARIAH | 519-48 0BC | Judah | (Persians defeat Babylon 538BC) Judah returns from exile 537BC Greek Empire of Alexander the Great 336-323BC Hellenistic Period 323-63 BC | Ezra 5:1-6:15; Book of Zechariah |
| MALACHI | 450 BC | Judah | | Nehemiah 13:1-31; Book of Malachi |
| JOEL | ?8 th BC or 5 th BC | Judah | | Book of Joel; Acts 2:16-21 |
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| YEHOHANAN ben Zechariahs (John the Baptist) | AD 28 -29 | Judah | Roman Empire | Luke 1-9:9 Matthew 3:1-14:12; Mark 1:4-6:28 |

Scripture mentions 11 Prophetesses of the Old and New Testaments: 10 true and 1 false

| Prophetess | Scripture Reference |
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| Miriam, sister of Moses | Exodus 15:20 |
| Deborah Judge & Prophetess | Judges 4:4 |
| Hulda | 2 Kings 22:14; 2 Chronicles 34:22 |
| Isaiah's wife | Isaiah 8:3 |
| Noadiah | Nehemiah 6:14 |
| New Testament Prophetesses | |
| Anna | Luke 2:36 |
| Philip's four daughters | Acts 21:9 |
| "Jezebel" the False Prophetess | Revelation 2:20 |
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