Week 10

Old Testament – The Prophets

LET'S START WITH WORSHIP!

All Ages

Sing the songs!

- **The B-I-B-L-E, Thats The Book For Me!** by Listener Kids
  https://youtu.be/ahHWtvOmt2E
- **Alpha and Omega** by Time Lab VBS
  https://youtu.be/MBaGIfkgxNg
- **Absolutely Nothin'** by Jana Alayra
  https://youtu.be/AJNtfrjLNi8

TODAY'S VERSE

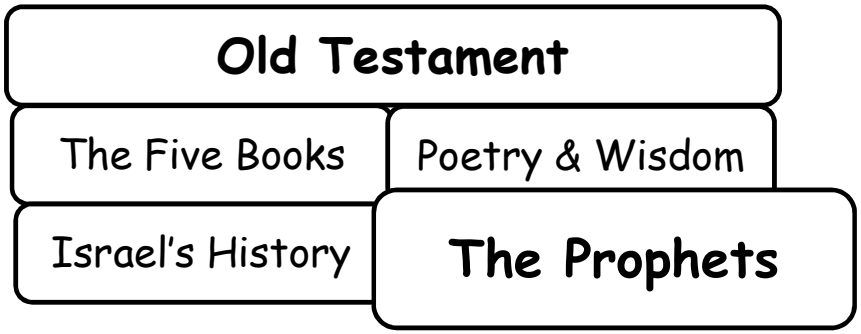
All Ages Read the following verses:

☆ Matthew 1:22-23

All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

OLD TESTAMENT – PROPHETS

☆ All Ages Old Testament Section 3 – Poetry & Wisdom



Ages 5 – 12

☆ How many books are there in this section of the Bible? **17**

☆ This section is made up of 2 parts. **Major Prophets (5 books), Minor Prophets (12 books)**

☆ Name the Major Prophets. **Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel**

PROPHETS – WHAT DO THEY DO?

Ages 5 – 12

☆ What is a prophet? **A prophet is a messenger of God.**

☆ What did the prophets have to do?

The prophets heard a message directly from God, and obeyed God to share the message to the peoples.

☆ How are the prophets considered MAJOR or MINOR?
Choose the answer from the options below:

a. Major prophets were more important. Minor prophets were less important.
b. Major prophets were more successful. Minor prophets were less successful.
c. Major and minor prophets were determined based on the length of the books in the Bible.

Answer: C

PROPHETS – THEIR MESSAGE

Ages 7 – 12 - What kind of messages did the prophets share?

☆ Messages of **REPENTANCE** when the people sinned against God, telling them to return to God.

REPENTANCE

☆ Messages of **LOVE** - how God loved them, and how they are to live as God instructed.

LOVE

☆ Messages of the **FUTURE** - things that would happen later, called prophecies. The prophets DID NOT predict the future, they spoke what God told or showed them about what will happen.

FUTURE

☆ Message of **HOPE** - did you know that the prophets spoke about Jesus Christ, who came to save you and me?
Yes, the prophets shared about Jesus the Messiah.

JESUS

Prophets' messages always point to God and to God's plan to bring us back to Him.

SOME PROPHETS

All Ages

☆ Let's look at some stories of prophets.

Watch these videos on Daniel from Saddleback Kids
https://youtu.be/d4nbMyyAGmQ
https://youtu.be/ZV3eQ2PBqHE

Daniel lived faithfully to God. He honoured God by choosing God and trusting Him even in bad times.

☆ Watch this video on Jonah from Saddleback Kids
https://youtu.be/WOSadLyqshg

Because Jonah chose to obey God finally, the people heard the message and repented.

☆ Watch this video on Isaiah and Micah from Saddleback Kids
https://youtu.be/KEpSXxL4Nn4

Jesus did all that the prophets said about Him. He took our sins upon Himself. Have we trusted in Him?

MAJOR PROPHETS - DANIEL

Stories from Daniel

The book of Daniel has both stories and prophecies. Read these stories and then answer the questions below.

Story 1

and his friends were taken far away from home to be servants to a king. The king gave them some of his food to eat, but they asked for more healthy . The healthy made them more healthy!

Story 2

were told to bow down and worship a big statue, but they didn't because they knew they should worship only God. The king had them thrown into a . An came and rescued them.

Story 3

prayed to God every day next to his window. Since he prayed to God instead of the king, he was thrown into a den of . God closed the mouths of the so they didn't eat Daniel!

In every story, God helped and with their problems!

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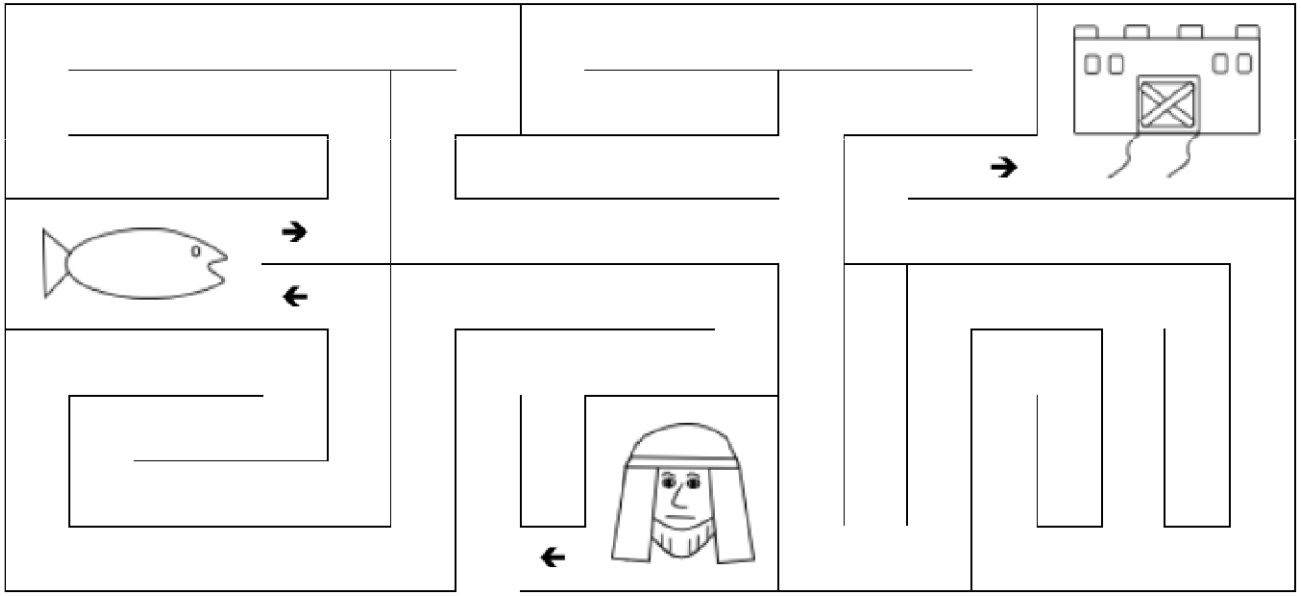
MINOR PROPHETS - JONAH

Runaway Jonah

God told Jonah to go to Nineveh and preach to the people there. Jonah didn't want to, so he got on a ship going in the opposite direction. After a big fish swallowed Jonah, he told God he was sorry and went to Nineveh after all.

Draw Jonah's path to where he met the big fish and then all the way to Nineveh.



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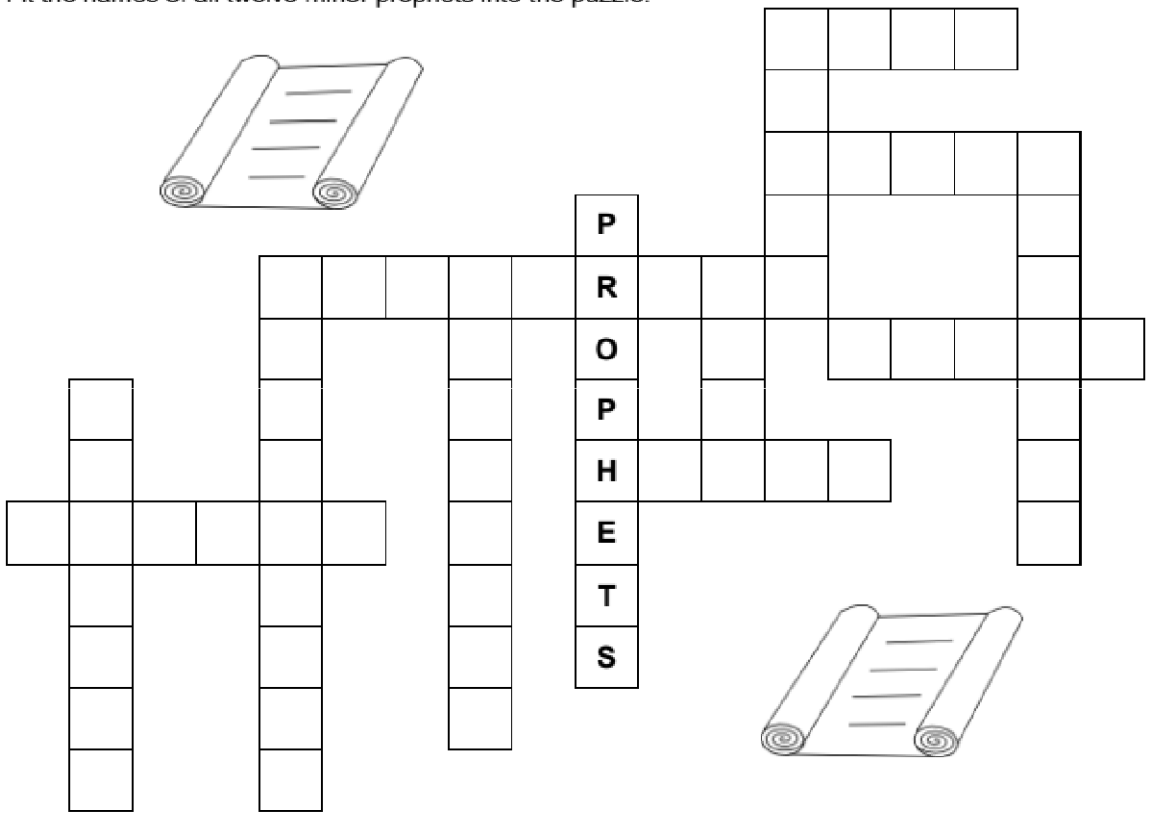
MINOR PROPHETS

Prophet Puzzle

Fit the names of all twelve minor prophets into the puzzle.



HOSEA	OBADIAH	NAHUM	HAGGAI
JOEL	JONAH	HABAKKUK	ZECHARIAH
AMOS	MICAH	ZEPHANIAH	MALACHI

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PROPHECIES ON JESUS

Prophecies about Jesus

About 700 years before Jesus was born, Isaiah spoke prophecies that were fulfilled (made true) when Jesus came to the earth. The book of Isaiah contains more prophecies about Jesus than any other Old Testament book

Draw a line from each prophecy to how Jesus fulfilled it.

Isaiah said that a special baby would be born. (Isaiah 9:6)	Jesus suffered and died on the cross for our sins. (Luke 23:33)
Isaiah said that a person in the wilderness would prepare the way for Jesus. (Isaiah 40:3)	John the Baptist lived in the wilderness and prepared the way for Jesus. (John 1:23)
Isaiah said he would be rejected by many people. (Isaiah 53:3)	Many people refused to believe in Jesus. (John 12:37)
Isaiah told of a person who would suffer for our sins. (Isaiah 53:5)	Jesus was born in Bethlehem. (Luke 2:7)

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THINK ABOUT IT

Being messengers of God

Ages 7-12

☆ Have you ever brought a message to someone, perhaps from your teacher to your parents?

☆ Was it easy to pass the message? Did you speak the right message? Did the person listen to you?

☆ Can we be messengers of God to share with others about Jesus and what He did for us?

FIND OUT MORE WHEN WE READ THE BIBLE

Isaiah the Prophet

Ages 7-12

Did you know that archaeologists found some things which they think are the seals (signatures) of Isaiah and King Hezekiah?

☆ Learn more about it from here https://answersingenesis.org/kids/bible/archaeology/isaiah-signature-found/