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Lesson 1. Hosea - The Prophet of Love

Short Answer

1. With which prophets was Hosea a contemporary and to whom did he prophecy?
2. Why did God tell Hosea to marry a sinful woman?
3. Why is Jeroboam referred to as “Jeroboam who made Israel to sin”?
4. How was Hosea’s unfaithful wife an illustration of unfaithful Israel?
5. List seven of Israel’s sins.

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Lesson 2. Joel – The Prophet of Pentecost

True or False: Circle the correct answer.

1. Joel was the son of Pethuel, of whom we know nothing.
True or False
2. Joel prophesied of a great calamity that would come on the people of Judah.
True or False
3. The calamity that Joel prophesied would come was an earthquake.
True or False
4. Hezekiah sent the scribes and elders to Isaiah with a very urgent request for prayer.
True or False
5. Hezekiah spread a threatening letter he had received before the Lord.
True or False
6. Joel gave a wonderful prophecy of Pentecost.
True or False
7. A valley in Palestine is called the Valley of Jehoshaphat.
True or False
8. Old Testament prophecy and the New Testament bear witness to a time when Israel as a nation will accept God in Jesus Christ.
True or False
9. Joel, Habakkuk, and Isaiah prophesied a future millennial reign in Christ.
True or False

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Lesson 3. Amos – The Prophet of Justice

Short Answer

1. Amos' call was dated two years before what event that occurred during the reign of which king?
2. To whom was Amos called to prophecy and for which other nation did he have a message?
3. Why was God often said to roar His message to the people?
4. With what phrase did Amos begin each message? What did this signify?
5. What became the major subject of Amos's prophecies?
6. How were the ten tribes affected by the ministries of Elijah and Elisha?
7. What was doubtlessly Israel's greatest sin?

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Lesson 4. Obadiah – The Prophet of Edom

True or False: Circle the correct answer.

1. The Edomites were descendants from Esau.
True or False
2. The Edomites had a great love for the Israelites.
True or False
3. Obadiah prophesied that God would stir up the heathen nations against the Edomites for their sins against Judah.
True or False
4. The Edomites rejoiced over Judah's downfall.
True or False
5. Obadiah promised Edom's complete extinction because of her sins.
True or False
6. The last of Obadiah's prophecy looks ahead to the complete spiritual restoration of Israel and Christ's reign on the earth.
True or False

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Lesson 5. Jonah – The Reluctant Prophet

Short Answer

1. `Where did Jesus confirm the fact of Jonah's historical character and his being swallowed by a whale?
2. Where is recorded the historical background of Jonah's prophecy?
3. To what extent was Jonah's experience a type of Jesus?
4. To what extent does God repent?
5. How did Jonah reveal that he did not come to Nineveh with a true missionary spirit?
6. What was God demonstrating to Jonah in the gourd vine which grew up quickly and was then cut down rapidly?

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Lesson 6. Micah – The Prophet of the Oppressed

Short Answer

1. With whom was Micah a contemporary?
2. With what other prophecy is there a marked resemblance?
3. What good result came from Hezekiah's respect for Micah's prophecy?
4. What inspired Micah's first message?
5. What sins of Judah and Israel did Micah point out?

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Lesson 7. Nahum – The Prophet of Assyria

True or False: Circle the correct answer.

1. Nahum was a native of Elkosh.
True or False
2. The subject of Nahum's entire prophecy is the restoration of Nineveh.
True or False
3. The purpose of Nahum's prophecy was to assure the Jews that God would protect them from the threat of an Assyrian attack.
True or False
4. Nahum pictured God as one quick to become angry.
True or False
5. Nahum pictured Assyria as a lion tearing its prey into pieces.
True or False
6. The destruction of Nineveh was so complete that for many centuries its ancient site was unknown.
True or False
7. When God laid His hand of judgement on Nineveh, her strong men became weak as women and all her defenses collapsed.
True or False

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Lesson 8. Habakkuk – The Prophet of Complaint and Faith

Short Answer

1. What can be learned about Habakkuk from his writings?
2. What caused the conflict of faith that Habakkuk expressed?
3. What caused an even greater conflict of faith?
4. How did the Lord answer Habakkuk's honest conflict of faith?
5. Why did Habakkuk burst out in a prayer of praise to God?

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Lesson 9. Zephaniah – The Orator

Short Answer

1. With whom was Zephaniah a contemporary?
2. With what were Zephaniah's prophecies mostly concerned?
3. How did Zephaniah indicate the imminence of Judah's captivity?
4. Why did Zephaniah plead with the people to gather and seek the Lord?
5. How did Zephaniah describe the level of sin to which Judah had fallen?
6. What message of hope was found in Zephaniah's prophecies?
7. What do these prophecies show about Israel as a nation?

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Lesson 10. Haggai – The Prophet of Temple Building

Short Answer

1. Why are Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi called post-exilic prophets?
2. What was Haggai's commission?
3. What reasons did Haggai give the Jews for their lack of prosperity?
4. What inspired the Jews to resume building the house of the Lord?
5. What was the purpose for Haggai's second message?
6. What was the content of Haggai's last message?

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Lesson 11. Zechariah – The Prophet of Inspiration and Hope

True or False: Circle the correct answer.

1. Zechariah's prophecies were concerned more with the coming of the Messiah to build a spiritual temple.
True or False
2. The Apostle Peter gave a splendid view of the inspiration and ministry of the Old Testament prophets.
True or False
3. Zechariah received most of his message from the Lord through other prophets.
True or False
4. Zechariah recorded a conversation between the angel of the Lord and the Lord.
True or False
5. In Zechariah's vision, the man with a measuring line told Zechariah that the Lord would be as a wall of fire around Jerusalem.
True or False
6. Zechariah's fifth vision was of Joshua standing before the angel of the Lord clothed in the garments of righteousness.
True or False
7. God let Zechariah know that the Temple would not be built by his might or power but by the Spirit of the Lord.
True or False
8. Zechariah's eighth vision was of a flying saucer.
True or False
9. The Lord told Zechariah to assign three Jews to make two crowns of silver and gold and set them on the head of Joshua.
True or False
10. Zechariah warned the Jews against reverting to the practices of their fathers before the captivity.
True or False

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11. In Zechariah 8, Zechariah told the Jews that the fast and mourning they observed in captivity should now become feasts of joy and gladness.
True or False
12. Zechariah prophesied of Christ riding into Jerusalem on an ass.
True or False
13. Israel will never become conscious of the wounds Christ suffered, the blood He shed, or the price He paid for salvation.
True or False
14. The glorified saints of the Lord will return with Christ when He comes to fight the Battle of Armageddon.
True or False
15. The evil forces arrayed against Christ will never be completely destroyed.
True or False

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Lesson 12. Malachi – The Prophet of Rebuke

Short Answer

1. What is the last book of Old Testament history?
2. What is the last book of the Old Testament?
3. How did Malachi picture the people of Israel as to their religion?
4. What were the sins of the priests?
5. Why did Malachi repeat a message of rebuke to the people of Judah and Israel?
6. What was the twofold content of Malachi's last message?

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