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 Hosea Salvation Related to the names "Joshua" & "Jesus" 	760-722 765-725? 760-730?	 Love can be sinned against and still persist Salvation Apostasy of Israel Israel's Idolatry, wickedness, captivity, and restoration 	 Israel Northern Kingdom 	 Adultery Drunkenness Idolatry Licentiousness 	 Kings: Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Jeroboam Prophets: Jonah & Amos (north), Isaiah & Micah (south) 			
Joel ● Jehovah is God	835-796? 830-750? 722? 538? 500?	 The nature of the Day of the Lord The coming Day of Judgment The promise of the outpouring of God's Spirit Prediction of the Holy Spirit Age 	• Judah	 Adultery Drunkenness Idolatry Licentiousness 	 King: Joash (c. 830)? Uzziah (c. 750)? Prophets: Elijah? Elisha? 			
Amos • Burden Bearer • Burden	760 750?	 God will not indefinitely tolerate evil among His people without chastising them The Day of the Lord The Eternal will roar Ultimate universal rule of David God's judgment on Israel The future glory of David's kingdom 	 Israel Judah Benjamin All nations 	 Oppression of the poor Sexual immorality Wanton luxury Corruption of law & man 	 Kings: Jeroboam II & Uzziah Prophets: Hosea (north), Isaiah & Micah (south) 			
 Obadiah Worshipper of Jehovah Servant of Jehovah 	845? 840-830? 605-586? 585? 500?	 God's retributive judgment against Edom The doom of Edom Day of the Lord Destruction of Edom Israel's restoration 	Against Edom	 Edom had continual violence towards Israel Edom cheered when Judah was taken captive 	 Kings: Jehoram (853- 841)? Amzaiah (806- 767)? Ahaz (735- 716)? Zedekiah (597- 586)? 			
Jonah • Dove	770 780-740?	 His love knows no bounds An Errand of Mercy to Nineveh God's mercy to the repentant 	Nineveh, with implications to all people (fall of Nineveh 612)	Cruelty of Assyrians	King: Jeroboam II (793-753)			
Micah • Who is like Jehovah	740-700 737-690?	 The chosen people's sin will not prevent the accomplishment of God's purpose through them The impeding fall of Israel and Judah The Messiah will be born at Bethlehem 	 Samaria Jerusalem All nations 	 Lack of justice in the land Injustice Oppression 	 Kings: Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah Prophet: Isaiah 			

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Nahum • Comforter • Consoler • Consolation	650 663-612? 640-620? 593-570?	 Though God's wrath may be slow, it is none-the-less certain and devastating Judgment on Nineveh Comfort to Israel 	 Assyria - primarily the city of Nineveh (fall of Nineveh 612) 	 Cruelty of the Assyrians Overstepped boundaries 	 Prophets: Ezekiel, Zephaniah 			
Habakkuk • Embracing • Carressing	607 630? 625-606? 608-605?	 "The just shall live by faith" (2:4; Romans 1:17) The invasion of Judah and the doom of the Chaldeans God embraces Judah by destroying the Chaldeans 	Babylon with implications for all people	 Aggression/ plunder Greed/self- assertion Graft/violence in building Inhumanity Idolatry 	• King: Jehoiakim			
Zephaniah • Jehovah hides • Hid of the Lord	627 641-609?	 God's love expressed by wrath The great day of God is at hand Coming of a "pure language" God's indignation on the earth Who may be hidden? Israel repents & God saves them 	 Judah Jerusalem All Israel All peoples Warning of the Day of the Lord 	Spiritual fornication	 King: Josiah Prophet: Nahum, Jeremiah, Daniel?, Ezekiel? 			
Haggai • My feast • Festival	520	 Put God first in all things Make rebuilding the Temple your priority The restoration temple points to the church 	 Zerubbabel, Joshua The returned remnant 	 Neglect in building God's house Procrastination 	 King Darius I (521- 486) Zerubbabel, Ezra, Nehemiah Prophets: Zechariah, Malachi? 			
Zechariah • Jehovah Remembers	520-518 520-480?	 Work for there is a glorious future ahead Rebuilding the Temple Visions of the coming Messiah and His universal kingdom The coming of God's kingdom preceded by building the Temple 	 Zerubbabel Joshua The returned remnant 	 Joshua had filthy garments Lack of judgment Lack of mercy, & peace Living in evil ways 	 Prophets: Haggai, Malachi? 			
Malachi • My messenger	450-400 420-400? 433?	 Real love is undying, but will manifest itself in both rebuke and blessing Be prepared for the messenger that is to come (Elijah - John the Baptist) Final message to a disobedient nation 	 Israel (12 tribes) God's people today (church) 	 Priests neglecting duties People chided for: ~Divorce ~Adultery ~Robbing God ~Criticizing 	• Ezra, Nehemiah			