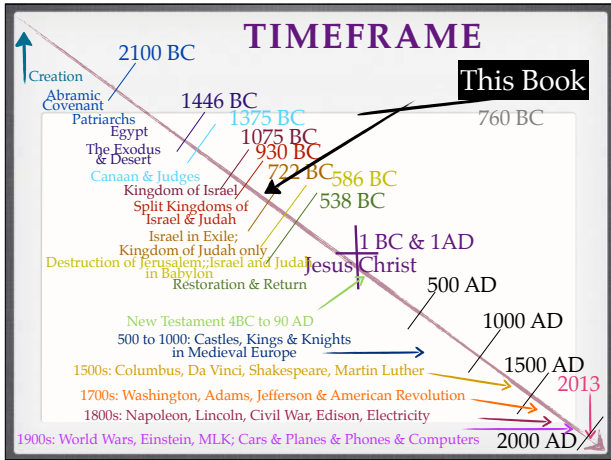


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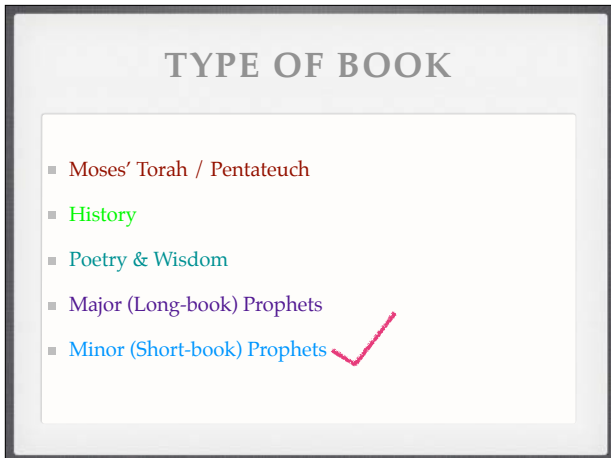
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AUTHOR

- 1:1
- Jonah

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READERS & RECIPIENTS

- everyone!

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STORYLINE

- Chapter One a: God tells Jonah to go to Nineveh. Jonah gets on a boat to go as far from Nineveh as humanly possible.
- Chapter One b: Jonah is thrown into the sea, and is swallowed by a giant something.
- Chapter Two: Jonah's Prayer until 2:10
- Chapter Three: Jonah finally goes to Nineveh and the people repent.
- Chapter Four a: Jonah gets upset, because he wants to see Nineveh destroyed, not saved.
- Chapter Four b: God gets upset with Jonah, because God shouldn't have to explain why He is so gracious (full of grace).

Major OT Themes found in this Book: 10

1. God is Love
2. God Creates
3. Israel (we) are supposed to be God's Obedient Servants
4. Israel (we) are Sinful
5. God is Angry with His People for Rejecting Him
6. God Forgives and Blesses those who Follow Him
7. Israel (we) are God's Chosen Examples
8. God Speaks through His Prophets
9. God is Always with His People
10. God is Just and Merciful
11. God Keeps His Promises
12. Israel (we) are Redeemed and Restored by the Blood of Christ
13. Israel (we) are JoGoFd
14. Israel (we) will Inherit the Kingdom of God

THEOLOGICAL CONTRIBUTION 11

- "...the greatest insight of the book is that God desires to show mercy and grace to all the peoples of the world."
- CBH

SECULAR CONTRIBUTION 12

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KEY VERSE

- 2:7
- Copy it

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REQUIRED READING

- Whole book: Especially the prayer of chapter 2

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WHEN TO TURN HERE

- Why do people get away with things they shouldn't?
- How great is God's love, even for sinful people?
Even for me?

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LUTHER SAYS:

- "...we can readily gather what a splendid and valuable man this Jonah was in the kingdom of Israel...But greater than all this were his attacks upon the great and mighty kingdom of Assyria and his fruitful preaching among the gentiles; among them he accomplished among his own people with many sermons."
- LSB 1478

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MR. MARTIN SAYS:

This is a great book. Read it. It shows us the challenge of doing what is right, when others are doing wrong and not being punished. Also, God makes a joke in 4:11.

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LIFE LESSONS FROM JONAH

- Jonah Chapter Two is a prayer.
- Jonah's prayer touches me. He should be hopeless--essentially entombed in hell. Yet, amazingly, he still has faith that God will rescue him. How about you? Sometimes you should be hopeless. Do you pray in times of trouble? Why?

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ACTIVITIES

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The Short-book Prophets:

The last twelve books of the Old Testament are often referred to as the "Minor Prophets". However, "minor" is a bit of a misnomer, since "minor" refers to the fact that the books are short, and not that the books are, as is the contemporary meaning, "lesser".

These books as a whole mainly discuss two themes, which will become clear as you read them. They clearly exemplify God's plan for humanity, as laid out in Genesis 12: 1-3. We see God dealing very clearly with his people--there are clear consequences for their actions. Also, several of these books point toward the coming Messiah through the building of the temple in Jerusalem. This will be the same temple that Jesus visits in John 2:14, and the curtain of which is torn at Jesus' death in Matthew 27:51. These bold prophets speak directly with God and often have to tell the people of His terrible judgments against them. Sometimes, they have the honor of telling of God's blessings.

The following are some key verses for each of the twelve short-booked prophets. Read the verses and try to determine the major theme of the book. Feel free to read more verses from the book if you need more help. Please use at least two complete sentences for each. Since there is not enough space below, please answer these using your own lined paper.

Isaiah: 41: 1-14

Jeremiah: 21:1-21; 31:20

Amos: 2:1; 9:10-10

Obadiah: 1: 1, 15

Josiah: 21:1-2; 37:1-10

Micah: 2:1, 12

Nahum: 1:1-4

Habakkuk: 1: 1-4

Haggai: 1: 1-4; 2: 1; 11-17

Zephaniah: 1: 1, 11-15

Zachariah: 1: 1-13; 14:9

Malachi: 1:6; 4:1-6
