

Research Paper Outline: The Prophets
More Specifically Hosea and Isaiah

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The Prophets: More Specifically Hosea and Isaiah Introduction

Growing up the son of a pastor, we fellowshiped with many denominations that were not completely aligned with via beliefs, yet there was a sincere respect for the titles and offices that have seemingly become a common place for many ministers present day. Present day, deacon, elder, or pastor or no longer desirable mantles to carry. They have been replace with Apostle and Chief Apostle. Bishop and Arch-Bishop including the office of prophet. In the last twenty years, God must have been short of vessels to speak his word because the office of prophet is quite full present day. You cannot log onto any social media platform present day without someone saying, “God told me to tell you...” and “Thus sayeth the Lord...” But, the office of prophet from the Old Testament operated differently and we will witness how their ministries transformed a generation them and how they have ministered to the 21st century body of Christ.

Working thesis statement: The intent of this research paper is to identify the Major and Minor Prophets. Also, chronicle one of each types of Prophets; their authorship, settings and their target audience, the different message and methods displayed when communicating God’s word, and their impacted significance towards the 21st century believer and non-believer.

I. Prophets and Prophecy

- a. Name and identify the differences between Major and Minor Prophets
- b. Types of Prophets
- c. The presence of Women Prophets
- d. Modes of Interpreting Revelation

II. The Book of Hosea

- a. The authorship, date of origin/completion, and setting the Minor Prophet Hosea ministered and served;
- b. The message Hosea was attempting to convey;
- c. The method used to convey God’s mandate to his intended audience;

- d. The Significance of Amos' impact by way of his recorded writings/prophecies has on the 21st century.

III. The Book of Isaiah

- a. The authorship, date of origin/completion, and setting the Major Prophet Isaiah ministered and served;
- b. The overall message the book of Isaiah was attempting to convey;
- c. The method used in communicating with God's oracle Isaiah to his intended audience.
- d. The significance of Isaiah's impact by way of his recorded writings/ prophecies has had on the 21st century.

IV. Conclusion

In conclusion...

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