

Old Testament Prophets Timeline				AUDIENCE COLOR KEY: green=Israel; blue=Judah; pink=Exiles in Babylon; tan=misc. nations
Prophet	Audience	Kings who ruled at the same time	Approximate Dates, all BC	History at the time of the prophet
Elijah	Israel	Ahab, Ahaziah, Joram	870-845	Kingdom split about 930, all sinful kings in Israel through rest of history
Elisha	Israel	Joram, Jehu, Jehoahaz	845-800	Preaches to a sinful people who worshipped idols, not God
Jonah	Nineveh	Jeroboam II	781	Israel becomes prosperous, Assyria a brutal nation threatens them
Amos	Israel	Jeroboam II	765-754	Israel powerful and complacent
Hosea	Israel	Jeroboam II, Zechariah, Shallum, Menahem, Pekahiah, Pekah, Hoshea	758-725	Israel does not repent, in decline, into captivity in 722
Isaiah	Judah	Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Manasseh	760-673	Begins preaching just before Israel falls, but to Judah. Assyria threatens but does not conquer them. Primary audience--ruling class.
Micah	Judah	Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Manasseh	738-698	Preaches same time as Isaiah to common people, warns of judgement if no repentance
Nahum	Nineveh	Manasseh, Amon, Josiah	658-615	Final destruction of Assyria/Nineveh by Babylonians
Jeremiah	Judah	Manasseh, Amon, Josiah, Jehahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah	650-582	Last days of Judah, series of deportations before final destruction, same time as Ezekiel and Daniel who were deported early on
Zephaniah	Judah	Amon, Josiah	640-626	Last revival in Judah under Josiah, but not enough, judgment certain
Ezekiel	Exiles in Babylon	Josiah, Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah, Babylonian rulers of the time	620-570	Under captivity, obedience still required, he was a priest and spoke to the people
Daniel	Exiles in Babylon	Josiah, Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah, Babylonian rulers of the time	620-540	One of the earliest deported to Babylon, lived to see the destruction, deportation and return of the people
Habakkuk	Judah	Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin	608-598	Babylon conquered Assyria and nation going into captivity
Obediah	Edom	Zedekiah	590	Date not certain, message timeless
Joel	Judah	Governor Zerubbabel?	?	Date not certain, message timeless
Haggai	Judah	Governor Zerubbabel	520	Returned to the land, Temple rebuilding stalled,
Zechariah	Judah	Governor Zerubbabel	522-509	Messages to complete the task
Malachi	Judah	Governor Zerubbabel	465	People back in the land, temple rebuilt, but the people persisted in sin
After these books 400 "Silent years" No written word from God, but God at work in history preparing for the Messiah.				
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