

Book of Hosea

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Purpose of Class

- To better understand the **Book of Hosea**
- How **it** fits in **God's larger Plan** for **the Nation of Israel**
- How that also has Application for **US**, as New Testament **Believers**.

First we are going to talk about **The Priority of Scripture**

Then we will discuss **The Source of Scripture**

This is relevant when discussing any **Prophet of Scripture**, like **Hosea**

The Priority of Scripture

2 Timothy 3:14–17 (NASB95)

14 You (*Timothy*), however, (not like “**evil men**”, **3:13**),
continue in (continue in what?)

the things you have **learned**

and

(the things **you** have) **become convinced of**,

knowing from whom **you** have **learned them** (these things),

15 and that from childhood

you (*Timothy*) have known **the sacred writings** (of the Old Testament)

which (sacred writings) are able to give **you**

16 All Scripture (“**the sacred writings**”, mostly **Old Testament** including **Hosea**)

is **inspired** by **God** (**God – Breathed** and due to the inspiration of God)

And

(**it is**) **profitable** (beneficial)

17 so that **the man** of **God** (that's **US**)

may be **adequate**, (to be qualified to accomplish)

equipped (to be > fitted OR able to bring to an end)

for every **good work** (the **Good Works** we are to be Full of).

Q: **the sacred writings** “are able to give **you**” what?

A: Wisdom that leads to Salvation

the wisdom that leads to **salvation**

through **faith** which is in **Christ Jesus**.

Q: Where do **the sacred writings** or **All Scripture** come from, in **verse 16a** ?

A: From **God's** inspired Words, mostly **Old Testament**.

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Q: What is **Scripture profitable** for? > **4 Things**

- A:**
1. for **teaching** (for imparting knowledge or instructing)
 2. for **reproof**, (for stating, what wrong behavior is),
 3. for **correction** (for setting right, wrong behavior),
 4. for **training in righteousness** ;
(FOR instruction, with the intent of, forming proper habits of right behavior)

Q: What is the end result of these **4 Profitable Things** that **Scripture** does, in **Verse 17** ?

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equipped (to be > fitted OR able to bring to an end)
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The Source of Scripture

Q: What is the way or process that **God** brings **the Scriptures** into existence ?

Read > **Isaiah 46:8-11**

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9 “**Remember** the former **things long past**,
For **I am God**, and there is no other; (**His Oneness**)
I am God, and there is no one like **Me**, (**His Uniqueness**)
10 **Declaring the end from the beginning**, (Think of the implications of this!)
And (declaring) from ancient times **things** which have not been done, (is Prophecy)
Saying, (2 **things**)
‘**My purpose** will be established, (**God’s Purpose** is intended to be permanent)
And
I will accomplish all **My good pleasure**; (**God** will **complete** all **He Wills** to do)

11 **Calling** a bird of prey from the east,
(calling) **The man** of **My purpose** from a far country. (**God** calls **Men** for **His Purposes**)

Truly **I** (**God**) have **spoken**; truly **I will bring it** (**My purpose**) to pass.
(**God** Truly spoke **it** and will truly make **it** occur)

I (**God**) have **planned it** (**My purpose**), **surely I will do it** (**My purpose**).
(**God** **planned it** and will **surely** make **it** occur)

Q: What does **God** use to reveal **His Purpose**, in **verse 11a**?

A: **God** uses **Man**, as in **God’s** Prophets, like **Hosea**. Also **Amos 3:7**

Q: What does the word “**it**” refer to, (3 times), in **verse 11b**?

A: **God’s Purpose**, 46:10, 46:11

So **God** has a **Purpose** for what **He** does, 46:10, 46:11

And **God** has a **Plan** for what **He** does, 46:11

And **God’s Plan** is according to **His Good Pleasure** or **His Will**, 46:10

And **God’s Purpose** and **Plan**

He will “Truly ” > “Bring **it** (**His Purpose**) to Pass”, 46:11

He will “Surely” > do it (His Purpose), 46:11

The Historical and Theological Background, of Hosea

You must establish the **Historical Background**
(the **progressive revelation** of **Events in Time**)
at each point of **Scripture you** are studying.

In **Hosea**, this refers to **Time** and **Events**, up to this time, in **Old Testament**.

Basically Asking >

Who, What, Where, Why, When, and How, about this Passage, so far.

You must establish the **Theological Background**
(the **progressive revelation** of **God’s Promises**)
at each point of time, in **Scripture**.

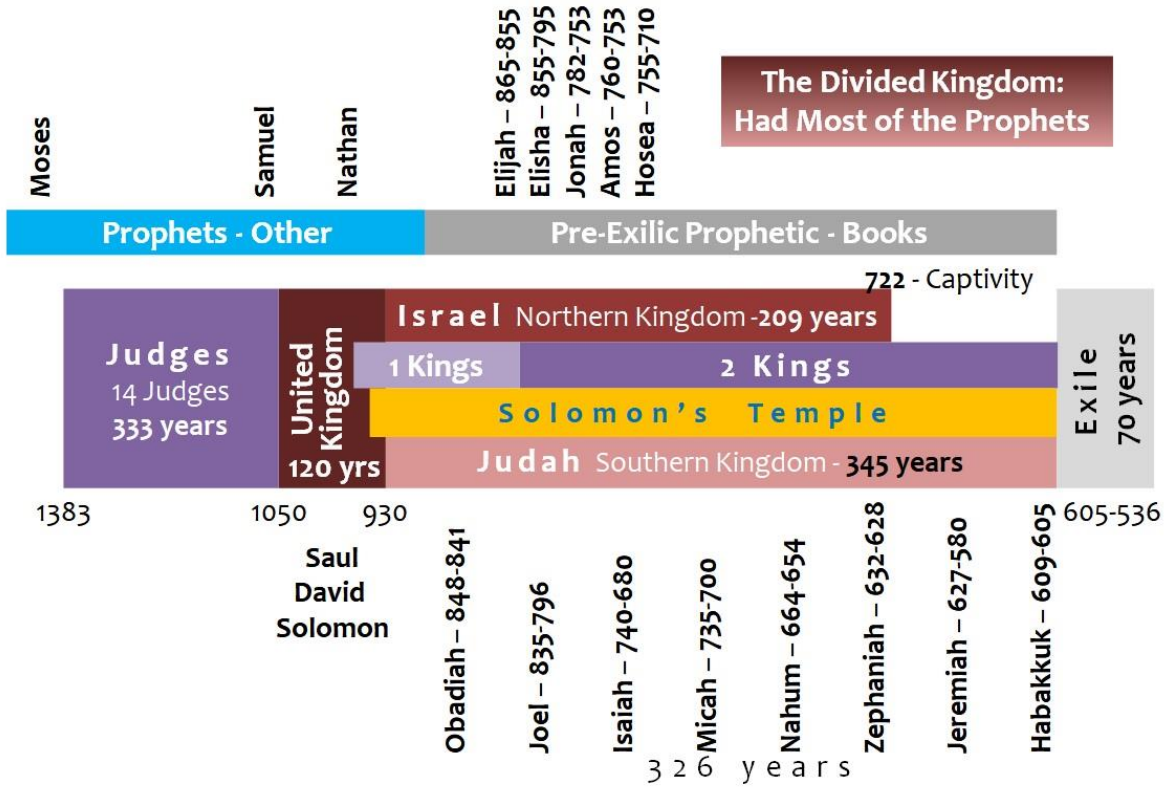
For Example:

1. All of, **God’s Covenant Promises**, that have been revealed to **Men**, so far.
2. **God’s Plan, Purpose, and Will** was revealed to **Men**, at that Point in Time ,
by the prophets **He** Called, **Isa 46:11**
3. **God** will establish, all **He** revealed, according to **His** pre-ordained **Divine** Timeline.
4. Truly **God** Spoke it and Planned it and surely **God** will bring it to pass
and do it, **Isa 46:11**

Overview of the Historical Background in CHARTS (See Next Page)

Overview of the Historical Background

Prophets – Moses to Habakkuk



Prophetic Books of Bible

Time of Prophet's Ministry

