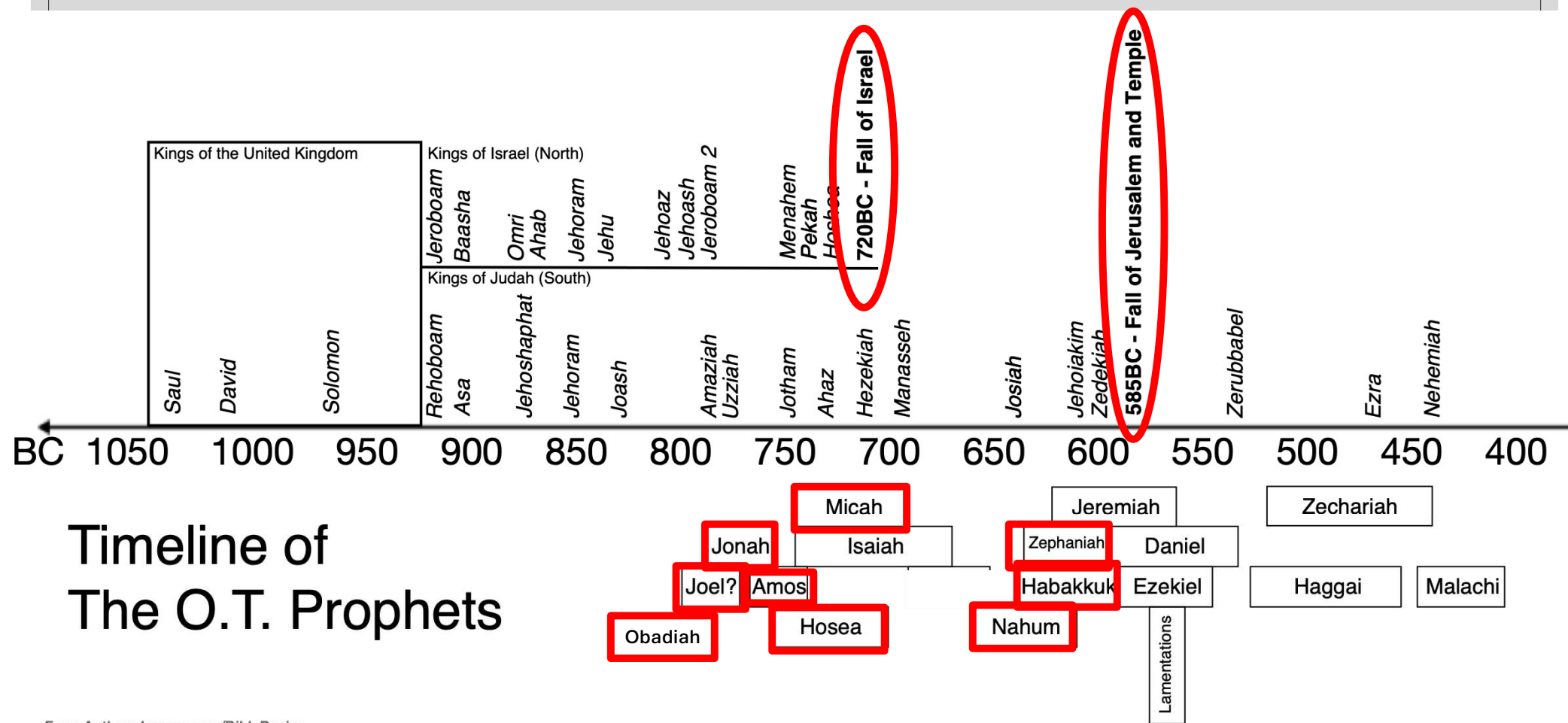




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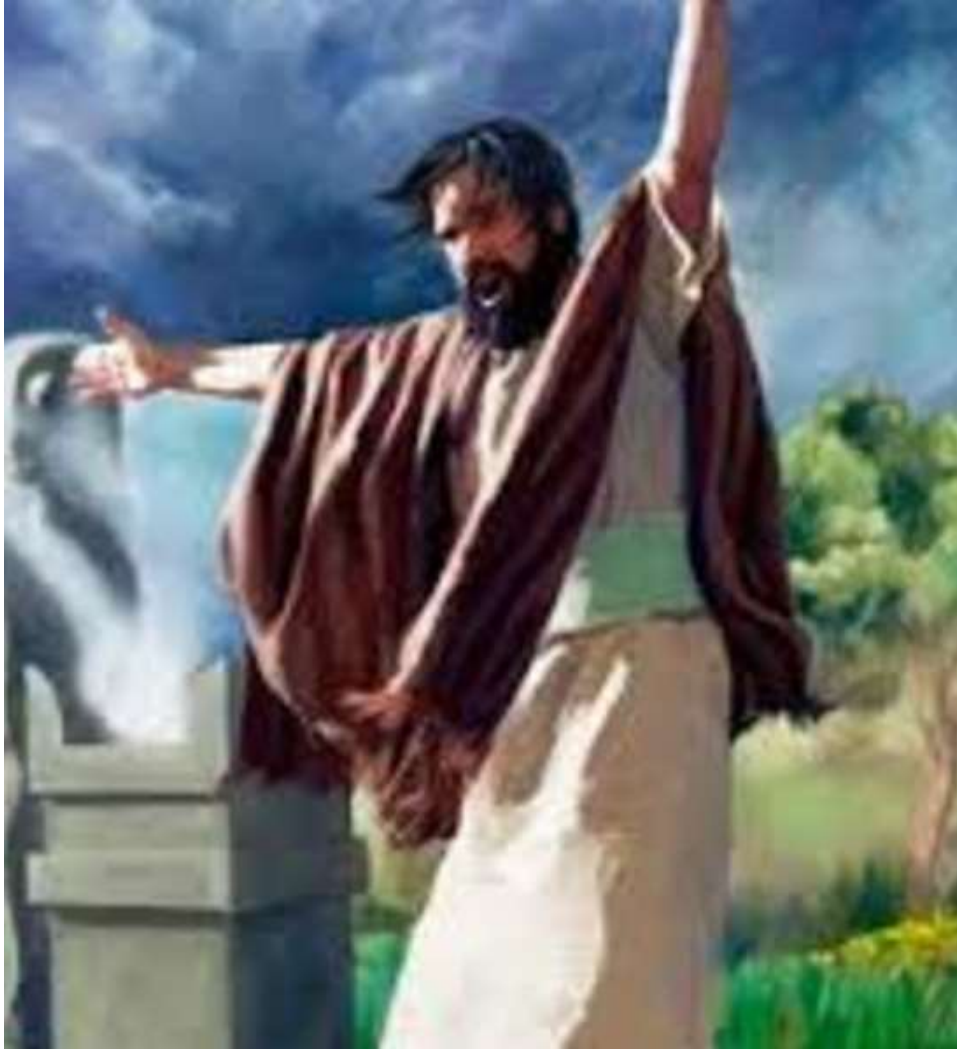
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The Order of the Minor Prophets

CANONICAL	MARC GIBSON	BOB WALDRON	HOMER HAILEY	OPEN BIBLE
HOSEA	HOSEA	OBADIAH	OBADIAH	OBADIAH
JOEL	JOEL	JOEL	JOEL	JOEL
AMOS	AMOS	JONAH	JONAH	JONAH
OBADIAH	OBADIAH	AMOS	AMOS	AMOS
JONAH	JONAH	HOSEA	HOSEA	HOSEA
MICAH	MICAH	MICAH	MICAH	MICAH
NAHUM	NAHUM	NAHUM	ZEPHANIAH	NAHUM
HABAKKUK	HABAKKUK	ZEPHANIAH	NAHUM	HABAKKUK
ZEPHANIAH	ZEPHANIAH	HABAKKUK	HABAKKUK	ZEPHANIAH
HAGGAI	HAGGAI	HAGGAI	HAGGAI	HAGGAI
ZECHARIAH	ZECHARIAH	ZECHARIAH	ZECHARIAH	ZECHARIAH
MALACHI	MALACHI	MALACHI	MALACHI	MALACHI

PROPHET	NAME MEANING	TIME	RECIPIENTS	THEME	RULERS
Obadiah*	Servant of the Lord	845 B.C.	Edom	Judgment on Edom	Jehoram
Joel*	YHWH is God	830 B.C.	Judah (Southern Kingdom)	The Day of the Lord	Jehoash (Joash)
Jonah	Dove	780-750 B.C.	Ninevah	God cares for the whole world	Jeroboam II
Amos	Burden Bearer	760-750 B.C.	Israel; Judah	Social Evils; Idolatry	Uzziah; Jeroboam II
Hosea	Salvation	760-710 B.C.	Israel (Northern Kingdom)	God's Steadfast Love for Israel	Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Jeroboam II
Micah	Who is Like YHWH?	735-700 B.C.	Judah	Divine Judgement	Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah
Nahum	Consolation	650-612 B.C.	Ninevah	Destruction of Ninevah	Manasseh
Zephaniah	YHWH Hides	625 B.C.	Judah	Judgement and Repentance	Josiah
Habakkuk	Embracer	612-606 B.C.	Judah	God's character and sovereignty	Jehoiakim
Haggai	My Feast	520 B.C.	Judah	Call to Rebuild God's Temple	Governor Zerubbabel
Zechariah	YHWH Remembers	520-518 B.C.	Judah	Call to Rebuild God's Temple	Governor Zerubbabel
Malachi	My Name	445-425 B.C.	Judah	Rebuke and	Before Nehemiah's



The Prophet: Zephaniah

(1) The word of the LORD which came to Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hezekiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

(Zephaniah 1:1 NKJV)

Timeline of Zephaniah

Sargon II of Assyria
conquers Israel

722

Josiah becomes
king of Judah;
Zephaniah begins
prophetic ministry

715

640

627

Assyrian capital of
Nineveh sacked

612

609

Nebuchadnezzar of
Babylon victorious
over Egypt at
Carchemish

605

Nebuchadnezzar
conquers Judah;
Jeremiah taken to
Egypt

592

586

Hezekiah
becomes king of
Judah

Jeremiah
begins
prophetic
ministry

Neco of Egypt
kills King Josiah
in battle

Ezekiel begins
prophetic ministry

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Outline of Zephaniah

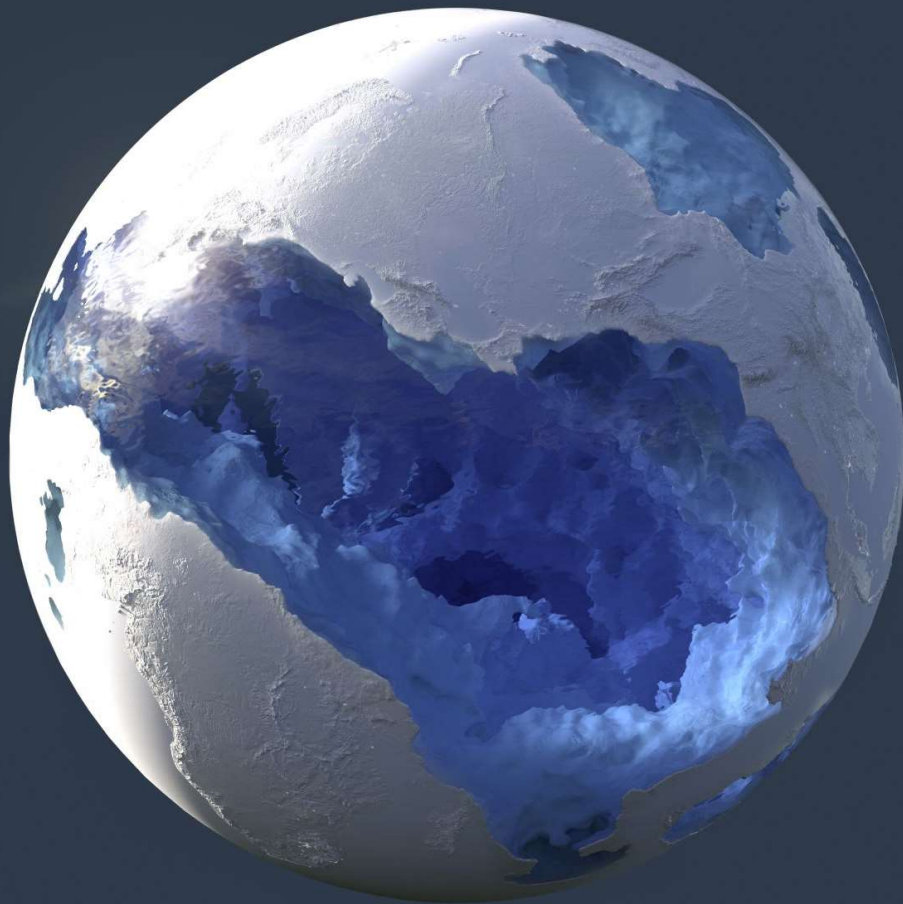
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 - B. The Judgment on the Nations2:4-15
 - C. The Judgement on Jerusalem3:1-8

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 - B. The Promise of Restoration.....3:14-20

The 'Day of the Lord' in Zephaniah

- This is a prophetic description of a day of judgment or wrath on nations and their governments.
- In Zephaniah it refers to an imminent judgment on Jerusalem - Zephaniah 1:4
 - It does not refer to the return of Jesus Christ





The Judgement on the Day of the LORD

- Judgment on the Nation of Judah (1:1-8)
 - Does Not Refer to a World-Wide Cataclysm
 - Does Not Refer to the Entire Planet
 - It is *Prophetic Hyperbole* of the “world” of the Middle East



The Judgement on the Day of the LORD

- Judgment on the Nations
- Judgment Against Philistia (West) - 2:4-7
- Judgement Against Moab and Ammon (East) - 2:8-11
- Judgment on Ethiopia (South) 2:12
- Judgment on Assyria (North) 2:13-15

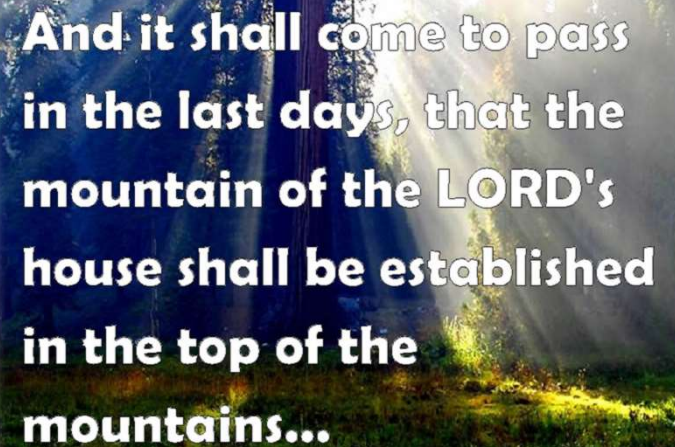


The Judgement on the Day of the LORD

- Judgment on Jerusalem (3:1-7)
 - Her princes – 3:3a
 - Her judges – 3:3b
 - Her prophets – 3:4a
 - Her priests – 3:4b

The Salvation in the Day of the LORD

- The Promise of Conversion (3:9-13)
- The Promise of Restoration (3:14-20)



**And it shall come to pass
in the last days, that the
mountain of the LORD's
house shall be established
in the top of the
mountains...**

—Isaiah 2:2



How and When was this Fulfilled?

- The Great Commission by Jesus – Matthew 28:19-20
- The Beginning – Acts 2:5-11
- Paul's Assessment
Romans 10:18
- It is Still Being Fulfilled
Today - 2 Timothy 2:1-2



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