## Journey Through the Bible: A Year of Our Lord

Riding on a Donkey (9:9)

Session 38: The Close of the Old Testament and Intertestamental History

(Zechariah-Malachi) Remember Acts 17:11

The Twelve	e Minor Prophets:			
Prophet	Ministry	Date of Book	Chr. Order	
Haggai	Return	c. 520 BC	9	
Zechariah		c. 518 BC	10	
Malachi	Return	c. 450-420 BC	11	
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- The F - The F - Bless - Wors - The N	Past of Judah Eight Visions ings Upon Joshua t hip During the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nations & The Mes Messiah & Jerusaler	Temple Period siah (1st Coming)	1:1-6 1:7-6:8 6:9-15 7:1-8:19 9-11 12-14	
- (Ch. or to	ring the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Temple 7) Do You Engage Worship Yourselve You Cannot Wors Neighbors 8) God's Presence v The City Wil Pros Will its Prosperity One Day a People take Joy in the Lo			
- The F	The Remainder www. Kind of King will	ill be Defeated by Go		

The Nations	& The Messiah's 1 <sup>st</sup> Coming (Cont.):	1
	A Complete Peace will Come  His Kingdom will Extend Throughout the Forth	
0	His Kingdom will Extend Throughout the Earth	
0	He will Judge the Earth	
0	The People of God will be Spared	
- Myst	ics will try to Pollute the Message of Redemption	
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	(Return to Religious Syncretism)	
0	A Teacher (Cornerstone) will Come from Judah	
0	A Scattered Remnant Will Return to the Land	
- The T	Two Shepherds (Ch. 11)	
0	A Prophetic Image of God Shepherding the Divided	
	Kingdom (v. 7-14)	
	<ul> <li>A Shepherd was "Paid Off" for 30 Pieces of</li> </ul>	
	Silver	
	<ul><li>Thrown to a Potter in the Temple</li></ul>	
	(v. 12-14)	
0	(v. 15-17) A "Worthless Shepherd" Shall Lead the	
	Unfaithful to Destruction Before Being Judged	
	<ul> <li>Does Not Care for the Flock</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Cursed to be Struck with a Sword</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Withered Arm and a Blinded Right Eye</li> </ul>	
	(Head Wound?)	
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The Messiah	<u>a &amp; Jerusalem</u> (12-14):	
	will Rescue Judah from a War with All Nations	
0	The "Day of the Lord"	
0	The Nations Will Recognize God's Power	
0	Jerusalem Will Recognize God's Strength	
	One Who They Have Pierced (12:10-14)	
0	They will Recognize the Messiah	
0	They will Acknowledge their Denial of Him	
0	They will Mourn for Him	
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0	False Religion Will End The Earthful will be Oppressed (Strangthoned)	
O Th a T	The Faithful will be Oppressed/Strengthened Final Battle & the Aftermath	
0	Jerusalem will be Attacked by All Nations	
0	God will Judge the Attackers	
0	Natural Disasters will Accompany "The Day"	
0	God will Reign on Earth	
0	The Survivors will Worship (Tabernacles)	

History of the Late Exile Period:	
- Province of Judea Reorganized	
<ul> <li>538BC: Edict of Cyrus the Great</li> </ul>	
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o 515BC: Temple Rebuilt	
o 483BC: Setting of Esther	
o 458BC: 2,000 Return with Ezra	
<ul> <li>445BC: Nehemiah Receives Permission to Rebuild</li> </ul>	
Jerusalem (Cf. Dan. 9)	
o 450-420BC: Malachi Ministers in Judea	
The Drock of Molocki.	
The Prophet Malachi:	
Malachi: "Messenger" or "Missionary"	
- Speculation: Not a Proper Name (Penname for Ezra)	
<ul> <li>Not Mentioned by Name in the Rest of the Bible</li> </ul>	
- Sermons Date to 450-420BC	
<ul> <li>1 Century After the Babylonian Exile</li> </ul>	
- Book Set Out as Arguments Between Judea & God	
- Theme: The Cycle of Human Nature Continues	
<ul> <li>The Exile Did Not Transform Human Nature</li> </ul>	
Outline:	
Argument 1: God's Love 1:1-5	
- Israel Doubts God's Love	
- God Reminds Israel of Being His Chosen People	
Argument 2: God's Temple 1:6-2:9	
- God is not Pleased with Temple Worship	
- Israel Offers Poor (Good Enough) Sacrifices	
Argument 3: Israel's Faithlessness 2:10-16	
- Israel's Men Are Unfaithful to God & Their Wives	
- Adopting Pagan Worship & Marriages	
Argument 4: God's Messenger 2:17:3:5	
- God is Accused of Neglecting Israel	
- God will Send a Prophetic Messenger Before Himself	
Argument 5: Israel's Greed 3:6-12	
- God Demands Israel's Rededication	
- Reminds Them of their Duty in Contributing Tithes (1/10 <sup>th</sup>	
Income) to the Ministry	
Ref. Lev. 27:30/ Neh. 13:10-11	
Argument 6: God's Justice 3:13-18	
- The Wicked Succeed & God Does Nothing	
- (Parable) "Faithful Remnant"	
<ul> <li>Commandment for a Scroll to be Written to Remind</li> </ul>	
Future Generations of God's Blessings &	
Faithfulness (Canonization of Scriptures)	

Outline (Cont.):	
Conclusion: Ch. 4	
- For the Faithful, the Day of the Lord is Cause for Joy	
<ul> <li>Healing for Humanity &amp; Restoration for Creation</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Conclusion to the OT (4:4-6)</li> </ul>	
The Intertestamental Period:	
445BC: The Wall of Jerusalem is Completed	
- Judea is a Province of the Persian Empire	
331BC: Persia Conquered by Alexander the Great (Age 24)	
- Child of Philip II of Macedonia (Unification of Greece)	
- Student of Aristotle (Socrates – Plato – Aristotle)	
<ul> <li>Unity of Knowledge (Philosophy)</li> </ul>	
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Language, Custom, Ethics, Trade, Education	
- Suspected End Date for the Great Assembly	
327BC: Alexander Dies and Leaves the Empire to His Generals	
- Ptolemy: Ptolemaic Empire (Egypt)	
- Seleucid: Seleucid Empire (Persia)	
o Judea was Inherited initially by Seleucid	
320BC: The Levant (Greater Israel) Annexed by Ptolemy I	
- Crossroads of Trade (Arabia, Asia, Persia, Egypt)	
- Important Mediterranean & Red Sea Ports	
198BC: Antiochus III Recaptured Israel for the Seleucid Empire	
- Imposed by Force Hellenization on Israel	
<ul> <li>Resisted by the Hasidian (Pious) Priests</li> <li>Forerunners of the Pharisees</li> </ul>	
Beginning of Religious Sects  175BC: Anticology IV "Frighteners" (The Marifest Cod)	
175BC: Antiochus IV "Epiphanes" (The Manifest God)	
- Radically Opposed Judaism for its Resistance	
o Practicing Exclusive Judaism: Capitol Crime	
o Sabbath Observance, Circumcision, Owning Torah	
o Sacrificed a Pig on the Bronze Altar	
167BC: Maccabean Revolt	
- Guerilla War by the Priest Mattathias Until His Death	
o Continued by Judas "Maccabeus" (Hammer)	
Asked Roman Republic for Assistance	
164BC: Religious Freedom Restored to Israel	
- Temple Rededicated (Hanukkah)	
- Maccabean (Hasmonean) Family Become Political Leaders	
142BC: Israel Becomes an Independent Nation	
63BC: Jerusalem Conquered by Pompeii Magnus (Rome)	
40BC: Octavian (Augustus Caesar) Appoints Herod as King	
- Of Edomite & Arab Descent	
Considered a Traitor & Outsider by Israel	
<ul> <li>Engages in Several Military &amp; Civil Projects</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Remodel of the Temple</li> </ul>	

Jewish Sectarianism:	
- Pharisees: Conservatives (Commoners)	
<ul> <li>God as a Being (Personality &amp; Will)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Strict Interpretation of Scripture (Includes Prophets)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>High Esteem for the Appointed Times</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Angels Exist</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Believed in the Afterlife &amp; Resurrection</li> </ul>	
Moderate View of Roman Interaction	
- Sadducees: Liberals (Priests & Aristocrats)	
o God is Limited/the Force of Creation	
Adherence to Torah Only (Law)     Extreme Adherents to Torahlo Worshin	
<ul><li> Extreme Adherents to Temple Worship</li><li> Angels Do Not Exist</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>Angels Do Not Exist</li> <li>No Afterlife or Resurrection</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Approving View of Roman Oversight</li> </ul>	
- Essenes: Communal Believers (Unknown)	
All That Happens is God's Will	
<ul> <li>Assumed High Respect for Scripture</li> </ul>	
o No Sacrifices, Wealth, or Slavery (Purity & Piety)	
<ul> <li>Angels Exist</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Believe in an Afterlife but No Bodily Resurrection</li> </ul>	
(Ref. https://www.wm.edu/offices/auxiliary/osher/course-info/classnotes/morganphariseesmatrix.pdf)	
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For Discussion:  Show Your Notes and Highlights with Your Crowns	
Share Your Notes and Highlights with Your Groups.	
Consider:	
What in the OT Intrigued You the Most?	
What in the OT margaed Tot the Wost.	
What in the Prophets Surprised You About the Coming of Jesus?	
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