



Growing leaders
who make disciples

Track 1: Understanding and explaining

the Mission of God

Chronological Bible Overview

Session Three – The mission in crisis

(2 Kings – Malachi)

The Partial Kingdom (at its pinnacle)

David: the King after God's own heart

(1 Sam 13:13-14)

- Makes Jerusalem his capital (2 Sam 5)
- Brings the ark of God to the city (2 Sam 6)
- Renewed covenant with God (2 Sam 7)

David's Son (2 Sam 7:12-16)

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"Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

(Luke 1:30-33)

David's Son (2 Sam 7:12-16)

Will be King of an eternal Kingdom

Will build a temple (house) for God

'Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the temple he had spoken of was his body.'

(John 2:19-21)

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“This is my Son whom I love; with him I am well-pleased”
(Matt 17:5)

The Partial Kingdom (in decline)

The Prophets

- *Discuss: What was the main role of an OT prophet?*

The Partial Kingdom (in decline)

Decline - The historical situation

- 1 Kings 10 – Israel's glory under Solomon
- 1 Kings 11 – Solomon's sin and idolatry
- 1 Kings 12 – The Kingdom splits in two
 - Israel – the Northern Kingdom (Jeroboam)
 - Judah – the Southern Kingdom (Rehoboam)

The Partial Kingdom (in decline)

Diagnosis & warning

- They speak about the immediate future
- They apply the terms of the covenant
(Deut 28-30)
- They are not just foretellers but 'forthtellers'

Hosea: 8th C prophet to Northern Kingdom (Israel = Ephraim)

- *The story: 1:2-4*

God's people now 'not my people' – 1:8-9

Exiled from **the place of his presence** -

9:3&4

Covenant broken (8:1) and Israel disgraced among the nations -

8:8,10

The Partial Kingdom (in decline)

Disaster – when the unthinkable happens

- 2 Kings 17 – Israel (north) exiled to Assyria (722BC)
- 2 Chron 36 – Judah (south) exiled to Babylon (586BC)

The Prophesied Kingdom – hope given

Groups: Isaiah's prophecy is predominantly addressed to the Southern Kingdom (Judah). Look up these passages to see how the 3 themes of the Bible Overview are addressed.

- God's people: Isa 54:4-8 49:5-7*
- In the place of his presence: Isa 52:9-10; Isa 65:17-25*
- Blessed (covenant) to be a blessing
Isa 55:1-5*

The Prophesied Kingdom – Hope of the coming King

- The King – Isa 9 & 11
- The Servant – Isa 42, 49, 53
- The anointed conqueror – Isa 61
- The Shepherd Ruler – Micah 5
- God the deliverer – Isa 40:3-5; Mal 3
- The long-awaited serpent-crusher – cf Gen 3

The Prophesied Kingdom – Hope fulfilled?

- A remnant returns from exile in Babylon (Ezra 1&2)
- They rebuild the temple (Ezra 3-6)
- They rebuild the city wall (Neh 1-6)
- They renew their vows to God (Neh 8-10)

The Prophesied Kingdom – Hope dashed

- Weeping at the smallness of the temple
(Ez 3:13-15)
- Failure to keep the covenant
(Neh 13)
 - Intermarriage
 - Sabbath-breaking
 - Neglecting the temple

Waiting for the King

- “I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple...” (Malachi 3:1)
- “Repent for the Kingdom of heaven is near” (John the Baptist -
Matt 3:2)