

Prophetic Books Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi Review Questions Answers

Zephaniah

1. Zephaniah's genealogy is traced to what man?

Answer: King Hezekiah

2. Zephaniah prophesied in the reign of Josiah. What kingdom was destroyed during the reign of this king?

Answer: Assyria

3. How old was Josiah when he began to seek the Lord?

Answer: 16

4. What other prophet prophesied during his reign?

Answer: Jeremiah

5. How old was Josiah when the book of the law was found in the temple?

Answer: 26

6. What are the four main themes of Zephaniah?

Answer: (1) The day of the Lord (2) Call to repentance (3) Exhortation to the believing remnant (4) Promise of Israel's conversion and kingdom

7. What are five characteristics of the day of the Lord in Zephaniah 1?

Answer: great day; day of the Lord; near; voice of the Lord; mighty men will cry; wrath; trouble; darkness; trumpet; men walking as blind men; judgment because of man's sin; blood poured out as dust; silver or gold not able to deliver

Haggai

8. Haggai prophesied during what historic event?

Answer: The building of the second temple

9. The historic background of Haggai's prophecies can be found in what book?

Answer: Ezra

10. The work on the temple stopped for about how many years?

Answer: Nine

11. Haggai was joined by what other prophet to exhort the people to finish the work?

Answer: Zechariah

12. The work on the temple started again in what year?

Answer: 520 BC

13. The work was finished in what year?

Answer: 516 BC

14. What is a brief summary of the message of Haggai?

Answer: God's people must put the Lord and His business first in their lives, and God's blessings will then flow.

15. With what theme does Haggai begin his prophesying?

Answer: Reproving the people's sin and calling them to repentance

16. Haggai's prophecies look beyond his time to what events?

Answer: The day of the Lord and the coming of the Messiah

17. What is the first major application of Haggai to God's work today?

Answer: God's people are to build the churches, and they must not put their business before God's business

18. What passage in Haggai contains a major prophecy of the day of the Lord and Christ's coming?

Answer: Haggai 2:6-9

19. What are "ceiled houses"?

Answer: Houses paneled with wood

20. How many times does Haggai exhort the people to "consider your ways"?

Answer: Five

21. God removed His blessing because of the people's disobedience and self-seeking. How did God describe their money bags?

Answer: They had holes.

22. What two men were the leaders of the remnant of Israel in Haggai's day?

Answer: Zerubbabel and Joshua

23. Why does Haggai say the day of the Lord will be in "a little while"?

Answer: This is God's perspective; a thousand years is as a day.

24. What is the Messiah's name in Haggai?

Answer: The desire of all nations

25. What is the "latter house" of Haggai?

Answer: The millennial temple

Zechariah

26. What was the first purpose of Zechariah's prophecies?

Answer: To exhort the remnant to finish the building of the second temple

27. Why did Zechariah exhort them not to despise the day of small things?

Answer: The second temple was nothing compared to Solomon's temple.

28. What is the application of this for New Testament believers?

Answer: The work of the church seems small and weak but actually it is the most important work on earth.

29. What is the meaning of Zechariah's name?

Answer: Jehovah remembers

30. What are six Messianic prophecies of Zechariah?

Answer: Christ entering Jerusalem on an ass. Christ's betrayal for 30 pieces of silver. Christ's crucifixion. Christ's second coming. Christ anointed as King-Priest. Christ ruling the whole earth.

31. What are four ways that Zechariah describes Christ's crucifixion?

Answer: cut asunder; pierced; wounds; smitten

32. What are four ways that Zechariah describes Christ as Jehovah God?

Answer: Jehovah is the one who was pierced. Jehovah is Christ's fellow. Jehovah will stand on the mount of olives. Jehovah will come with all the saints and be king over all the earth.

33. Where was Zechariah killed and where does the Bible say this?

Answer: Between the temple and the altar - Mt. 23:35

34. What is the meaning of the vision of the flying scroll of Zechariah 5?

Answer: The day of the Lord when man's sin will be judged worldwide

35. What is the meaning of the vision of the woman in the ephah in Zechariah 5?

Answer: The judgment of end-time Babylon

36. This woman who is called Wickedness is given what name in the New Testament and appears in what book and chapter?

Answer: Mystery Babylon - Revelation 17

37. What does the ephah represent and what New Testament prophecy describes this?

Answer: The commerce side of Mystery Babylon - Revelation 18

38. What is "Shinar"?

Answer: The place where the Tower of Babel was built

39. What prophecy in Zechariah describes Christ's triumphal entrance into Jerusalem?

Answer: Zec. 9:9

40. What are six great lessons from this verse?

Answer: Christ came to Israel. He is just. He has salvation. He is lowly. He came riding on an ass. He is King.

41. Why does Zechariah jump from Christ's first coming to Christ's second coming with no mention of the church age in between?

Answer: The church was a mystery that was hidden to the Old Testament prophets.

42. What passage in Zechariah describes Christ's betrayal and crucifixion?
Answer: Zec 11:10-13
43. What is Christ called in this prophecy?
Answer: Beauty
44. What is the price of His betrayal?
Answer: 30 pieces of silver
45. What happened to this price?
Answer: It was cast into the temple and used to purchase the potter's field
46. What is the Antichrist called in Zechariah?
Answer: Foolish shepherd
47. Jerusalem is called by what two terms to describe the trouble that the nations have experienced who have tried to rule it?
Answer: A "cup of trembling" and a "burdensome stone"
48. What passage (chapter) in Zechariah describes Israel's repentance and faith in Christ?
Answer: Zec. 12
49. In this prophecy, how does Zechariah say that Israel will recognize that Christ suffered on the cross?
Answer: They shall look upon me whom they have pierced.
50. What Gospel quotes this and in what chapter?
Answer: John 19
51. What prophecy in Zechariah describes the fountain of cleansing from sin?
Answer: Zechariah 13:1

Malachi

52. What is the meaning of "Malachi"?
Answer: Messenger of Jehovah
53. How long did Malachi prophesy before Christ?
Answer: 400 years
54. What was Israel's spiritual condition in Malachi's day?
Answer: Backslidden and rebellious
55. How does the prophecy of Malachi begin?
Answer: "I have loved you, saith the Lord."
56. What is the Hebrew word for a "burden" in prophecy and what does it mean?
Answer: masa - heavy, a message of judgment

57. What are the two evidences of God's love for Israel in Malachi 1?

Answer: (1) God chose Jacob over Esau. (2) God destroyed Esau's people while preserving Israel.

58. How many times does Israel argue with God in Malachi?

Answer: Eight

59. Who led Israel in backsliding?

Answer: The priests

60. What are seven lessons on marriage in Malachi?

Answer: Marriage is a holy covenant. Marriage is for companionship. Marriage is to become one. Marriage is for a godly seed. Marriage is for kindness. Marriage is for youth. Marriage is for life.

61. What verse in Malachi says marriage is for a godly seed?

Answer: Malachi 2:15

62. What does this mean?

Answer: God's purpose for marriage is that the parents will raise the children to be godly.

63. What passage (book and chapter) says all souls belong to God, both children and fathers?

Answer: Ezekiel 18

64. In what passage in the Gospels (book and chapter) did Christ confirm that marriage is for one man and one woman for life?

Answer: Matthew 19

65. What is the Messiah called in Malachi's great prophecy in chapter 3?

Answer: The Messenger of the Covenant

66. Who is the messenger who will prepare the way for the Messiah?

Answer: John the Baptist

67. How is the Messiah identified as God?

Answer: He is called "Lord" Adonai

68. In what way is Christ like a "refiner's fire"?

Answer: He will judge the impenitent.

69. In what way is Christ like "fuller's soap"?

Answer: He cleanses those who repent and believe.

70. What two prophets describe the purified sons of Levi serving in the millennial temple?

Answer: Jeremiah and Ezekiel