

Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM)

Old Testament

Session 4 – Make Up

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Date of Original Class: _____

I have personally read all of the required reading, viewed the make-up video, and completed the following worksheets.

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Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 1

What is the function and role of a prophet?

Write about a paragraph.

Look again at *Reading the Old Testament* pp. 276-281 which you already read as a part of the required reading. Using this information, answer the following questions:

(a) What is uniquely different about the prophet Amos what those who preceded him?

(b) What was the central message of the prophet Amos?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 3

Referring to *Reading the Old Testament*, pp. 284-292, please complete the following questions:

- (a) Describe briefly the political situation during the time of Isaiah of Jerusalem.
- (b) According to Isaiah, why does God punish?
- (c) Explain why Isaiah's prophecies can be characterized as a mix of ethical insight, realistic warning of disaster, and long-range hopefulness?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 4

Referring to *Reading the Old Testament*, pp. 315-328, please complete the following questions:

(a) Describe briefly the political situation at the time of the prophet Jeremiah.

(b) What is the basic content of Jeremiah's message?

(c) In what ways can it be said that Jeremiah offers a message of hope?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 5

Referring to *Reading the Reading the Old Testament*, pp. 338-348, please complete the following questions:

(a) What are some characteristics of the call of Ezekiel and why is this call narrative so critical for this book?

(b) Briefly describe Ezekiel's theory of judgment.

(c) As a prophet of the exile, in what ways does Ezekiel give a sense of hope to the people?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 6

Referring to *Reading the Old Testament*, pp. 366-378, please complete the following questions:

- (a) Why have scholars come to the conclusion that chapters 40-55 of the book of the prophet Isaiah were written by someone other than Isaiah of Jerusalem, the author of the first 39 chapters?
- (b) Why key element of all previous prophets is completely missing from Second Isaiah?
- (c) Give a brief description of each of the major themes of Second Isaiah.
- (d) What are the servant songs of Second Isaiah? How have they traditionally been interpreted?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 7

How did the message of the prophets evolve from the time of Amos to the time of Second Isaiah? What key themes were present in what periods of history are these “historical books” a revelation of God?

Old Testament - Lesson 4 – Worksheet 8

Write a couple of paragraphs on ONE of the following questions:

1. Given that each of the prophets had very specific historical events and contexts in mind as they carried out their prophetic ministry, what relevance do they have today for us who live in a very different time, place, and context?
2. Each of the prophets record, some to a greater and some to a lesser degree, an account of their being called by God to take up this ministry. Do the features of these call stories have relevance for you in your attempt to discern the things to which God is calling you?