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Prophetic Ministry: 800 – 430 B.C.

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Post-exilic Prophets

Historical Background

Review

- 722 B.C.
 - Samaria and the northern kingdom of Israel is destroyed and taken into exile by Assyria
- Judah alone (southern kingdom)
 - God sends the prophets Micah, Habakkuk, and Zephaniah to confront Judah’s sin
 - Announce that God will judge Judah by removing them from the land

Historical Background

Judah’s Captivity

- 605 B.C. – First deportation; talented upper-class Hebrews (e.g. Daniel & friends)
- 597 B.C. – Second deportation; over 10,000 deported from Jerusalem
- 586 B.C. – Nebuchadnezzar destroys the temple and Jerusalem; hundreds of thousands taken into captivity



