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1) Why and How Should We Read the Prophets?



	<u>Israel</u>	<u>Judah</u>
8 th century	<u>Jonah</u> , <u>Amos</u> , <u>Hosea</u>	Isaiah, Micah
7 th century		Zephaniah, Nahum, Habakkuk
6 th century		Obadiah, Joel?, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel



Sea of Galilee

Dor

Jezreel

I S R A E L

Elisha

Elijah

Abel-meholah?

Tishbe?

Samaria

Hosea

Mediterranean Sea

Jonah

Joppa

Shiloh

Jordan River

Bethel

Jeremiah

Elkosh?

Nahum

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

Micah

Jerusalem

Tekoa

Moresheth-gath?

Amos

Dead Sea

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“A covenant is an enduring agreement which establishes a defined relationship between two parties involving a solemn, binding obligation to specified stipulations on the part of at least one of the parties toward the other, which is taken by oath under threat of divine curse, and ratified by a visual ritual.”

Eric Tully



- 1. Noah (Genesis 9)**
- 2. Abraham (Genesis 12, 15, 17)**
- 3. Israel (Exodus 19-24)**
- 4. David (2 Samuel 7:4-17)**
- 5. New Covenant (Jeremiah 31)**





“Understand that I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you—birds, livestock, and all wildlife of the earth that are with you—all the animals of the earth that came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you that never again will every creature be wiped out by floodwaters; there will never again be a flood to destroy the earth.”

Genesis 9



“Look, the days are coming”—this is the Lord’s declaration—“when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. This one will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt—my covenant that they broke even though I am their master”—the Lord’s declaration.

Jeremiah 31:31-32



“Instead, this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days”—the Lord’s declaration. “I will put my teaching within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will one teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they will all know me, from the least to the greatest of them”—this is the Lord’s declaration. “For I will forgive their iniquity and never again remember their sin.

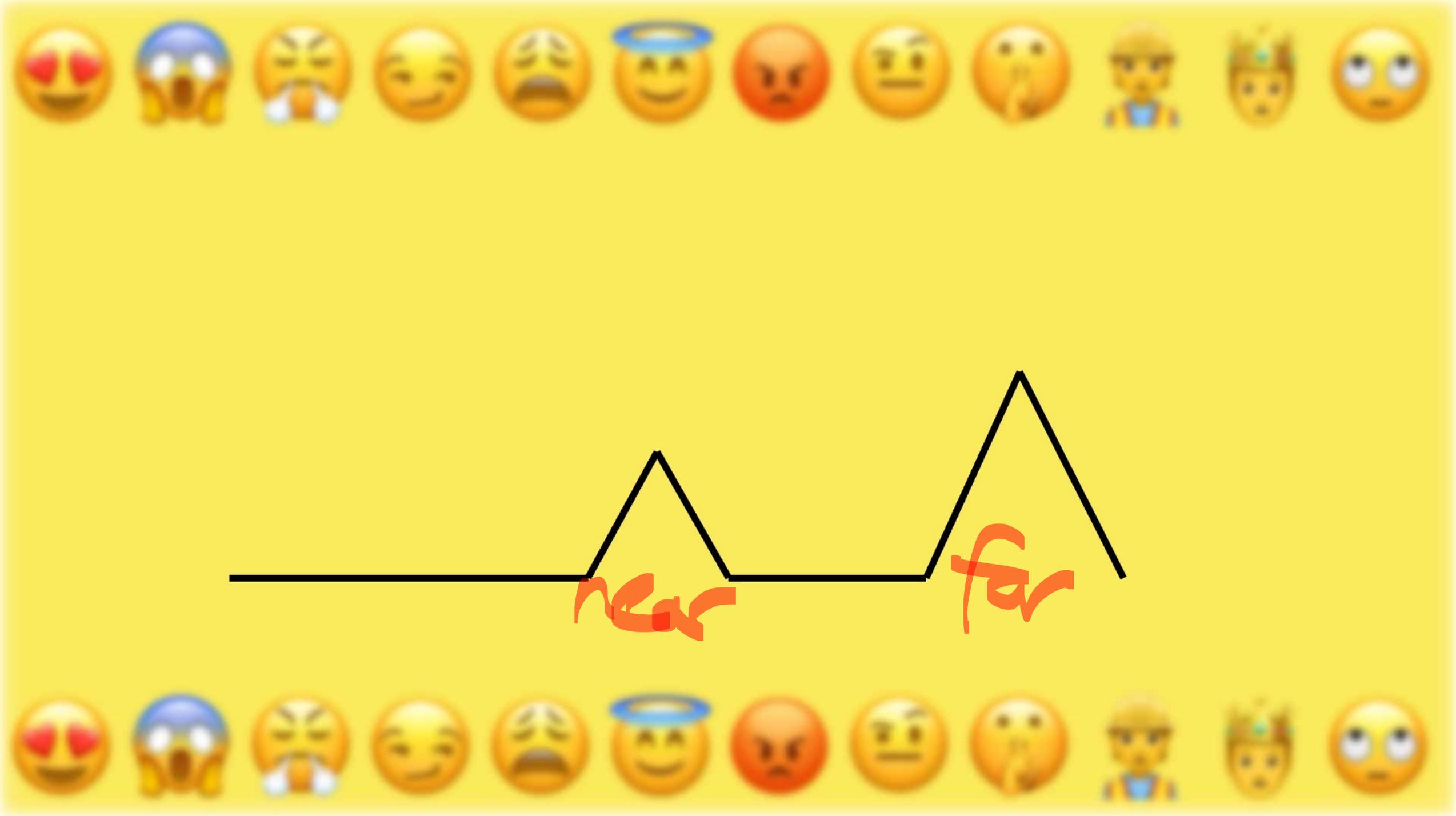
Jeremiah 31:33-34

Foretelling vs. forthtelling











“The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must listen to him. This is what you requested from the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, ‘Let us not continue to hear the voice of the Lord our God or see this great fire any longer, so that we will not die!’ Then the Lord said to me, ‘They have spoken well. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. I will hold accountable whoever does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name.

Deuteronomy 18:15-19

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2) A Picture of Love (1-3)





The word of the Lord that came to ~~Hosea~~ son of ~~Beer~~ during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and of Jeroboam son of Jehoash, king of Israel.

Hosea 1:1



When the Lord first spoke to Hosea, he said this to him:

**Go and marry a woman of promiscuity,
and have children of promiscuity,
for the land is committing blatant acts of
promiscuity
by abandoning the Lord.**

Hosea 1:2



So he went and married Gomer daughter of Diblaim,
and she conceived and bore him a son. Then the Lord
said to him:

Name him Jezreel, for in a little while

I will bring the bloodshed of Jezreel

on the house of Jehu

and put an end to the kingdom of the house of
Israel.

On that day I will break the bow of Israel
in Jezreel Valley.

Hosea 1:3-5



She conceived again and gave birth to a daughter, and the Lord said to him:

**Name her Lo-ruhamah,
for I will no longer have compassion
on the house of Israel.**

I will certainly take them away.

**But I will have compassion on the house of Judah,
and I will deliver them by the Lord their God.**

**I will not deliver them by bow, sword, or war,
or by horses and cavalry.**

Hosea 1:6-7



**After Gomer had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she
conceived and gave birth to a son. Then the Lord
said:**

**Name him Lo-ammi,
for you are not my people,
and I will not be your God.**

Hosea 1:8-9



**Call your brothers: My People
and your sisters: Compassion.**

Hosea 2:1



**She does not recognize
that it is I who gave her the grain,
the new wine, and the fresh oil.
I lavished silver and gold on her,
which they used for **Baal**.**

Hosea 2:8



On that day I will make a covenant for them
with the wild animals, the birds of the sky,
and the creatures that crawl on the ground.

I will shatter bow, sword,
and weapons of war in the land
and will enable the people to rest securely.

I will take you to be my wife forever.

I will take you to be my wife in righteousness,
justice, love, and compassion.

I will take you to be my wife in faithfulness,
and you will know the Lord.

Hosea 2:18-20



Then the Lord said to me, “Go again; show love to a woman who is loved by another man and is an adulteress, just as the Lord loves the Israelites though they turn to other gods and love ~~raisin cakes~~.”

Afterward, the people of Israel will return and seek the Lord their God and David their king. They will come with awe to the Lord and to his goodness in the last days.

Hosea 3:1, 5

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3) The Meaning of Love (4-14)



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Temporary judgment	God will take away her gifts and leave her desolate (2:9-13)	God will destroy Israel's food, children, cult sites, and the nation (9:1-10:15)	God has become Israel's enemy (13:1-16)
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**Hear the word of the Lord, people of Israel,
for the Lord has a case
against the inhabitants of the land:
There is no truth, no faithful love,
and no knowledge of God in the land!**

Hosea 4:1



**All of them commit adultery;
they are like an oven heated by a baker
who stops stirring the fire
from the kneading of the dough until it is
leavened.**

Hosea 7:4



**So Ephraim has become like a silly, senseless
dove;
they call to Egypt, and they go to Assyria.**

Hosea 7:11



**They turn, but not to what is above;
they are like a faulty bow.**

**Their leaders will fall by the sword
because of their insolent tongue.**

**They will be ridiculed for this in the land of
Egypt.**

Hosea 7:16



Israel has rejected what is good;
an enemy will pursue him.
They have installed kings,
but not through me.
They have appointed leaders,
but without my approval.
They make their silver and gold
into idols for themselves
for their own destruction.
Your calf-idol is rejected, Samaria.
My anger burns against them.

Hosea 8:3-5

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**When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.**

Hosea 11:1



**How can I give you up, Ephraim?
How can I surrender you, Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
I have had a change of heart;
my compassion is stirred!**

Hosea 11:8

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**Ephraim, why should I have anything more
to do with idols?**

It is I who answer and watch over him.

**I am like a flourishing pine tree;
your fruit comes from me.**

**Let whoever is wise understand these things,
and whoever is insightful recognize them.**

**For the ways of the Lord are right,
and the righteous walk in them,
but the rebellious stumble in them.**

Hosea 14:8-9



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