

# Major or Minor Prophets

## Materials

- ☐ Books of the Bible flashcards (following pages)
- ☐ Books of the Bible Poster
- ☐ Masking tape
- ☐ 2–4 baskets/containers marked with labels Major and Minor
- ☐ Optional: timer

## Instructions

*Print and cut out one or more sets of the flashcards, enough for each student to have one card. Label one basket Major and one Minor (write labels on paper/index cards and tape to the baskets) and place them across the room. Use masking tape to mark a start line. Pass out one card to each student and have them line up behind the start line.*

*Review the major and minor prophets using the Books of the Bible Poster or allow students to refer to the poster.*

*When you say, “Go,” students will race one at a time across the room and place their card in either the Major or Minor basket then run back to tag the next student. When everyone has gone, check the baskets to see if all the cards were placed correctly. Award a point for each correct card and subtract a point for each incorrect card. Write the total on the board.*

*Pass out the cards and play again, encouraging students to beat their previous score and get all the cards correct. You may choose to time the students and have them race to beat their time if they get the cards correct on the first try.*

*Relay option: Divide class into two teams and prepare two labeled baskets for each team. Pass out a full set of cards to each team. Some students may have more than one card. Teams will race against each other to put their cards in the correct basket.*

## Suggested Discussion

The books of the Old Testament are not all in chronological order, the order in which they happened. Some of the prophets lived at the same time, and some were preaching many years before others were born!

Today we’ve learned that the major prophets were not more important than the minor prophets; their books are just longer. It’s easy to ignore the smaller books of the minor prophets, but they are an important part of God’s Word to us.

The minor prophet Amos left his life as a shepherd to obey God and deliver his message to the people of Israel. Like Amos, we must be ready to obey whatever God calls us to do.

Isaiah  
6:1-8



Jeremiah  
5:20-25

# Lamentations

3:17-26



**Ezekiel** 1:15-20

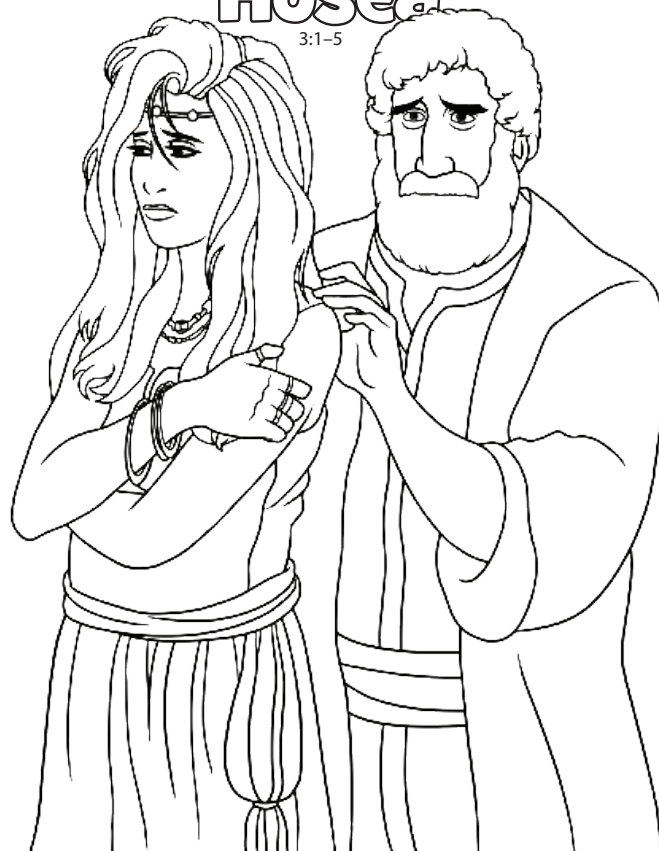
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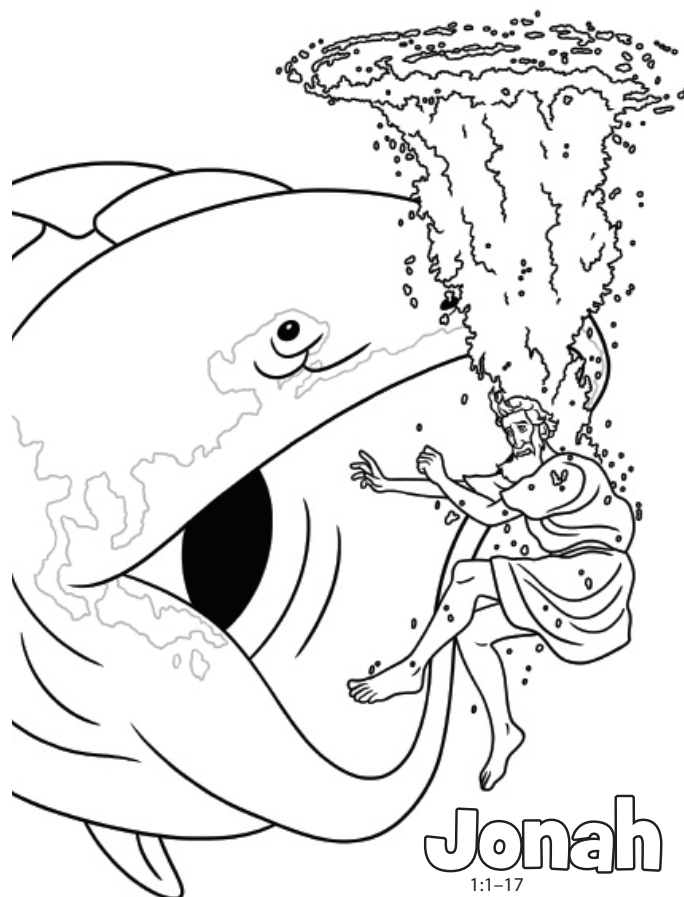
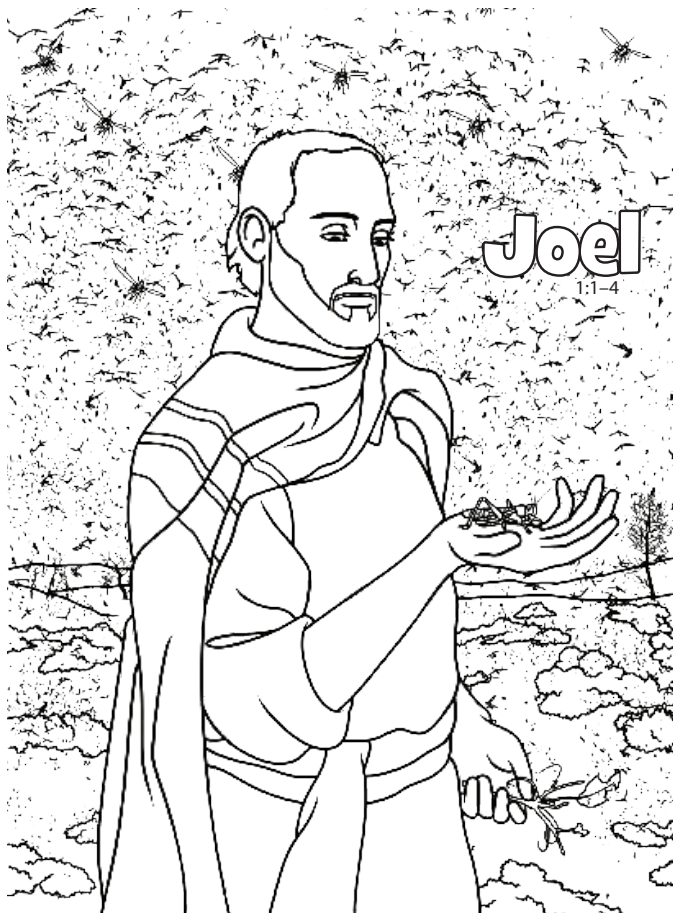
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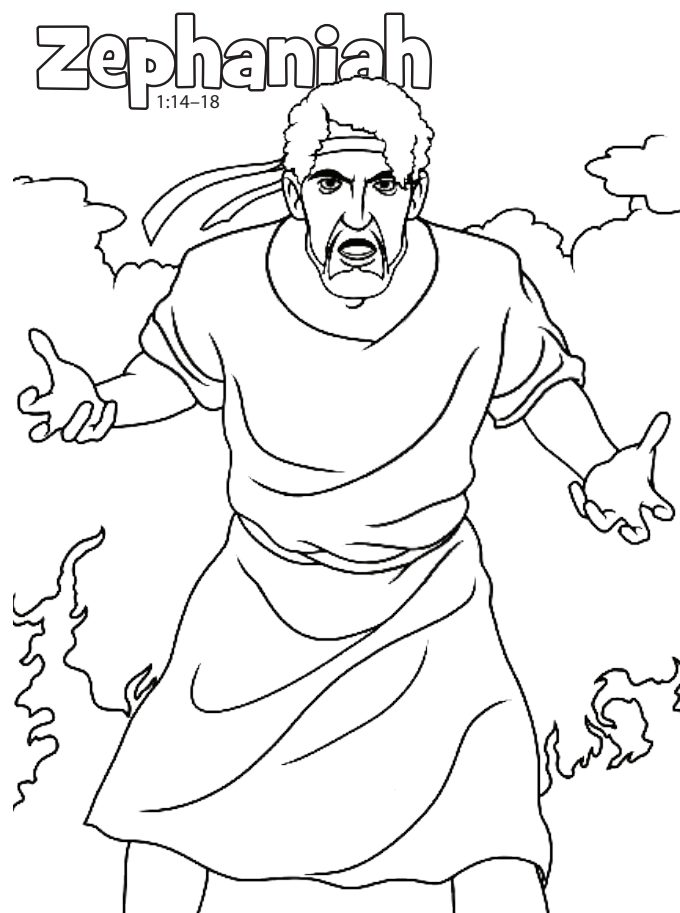
# Hosea

3:1-5









# Haggai

1:1-15



# Zechariah

11:7-17

# Malachi

1:6-11



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