

# The Story of God

## The Prophets # 2

# Hosea, Amos, Jonah, Micah

- Live before the captivity of Judah (586 BC)
- Live before the destruction of Samaria (721 BC)
  - II Kings 14.23-25 (First of the prophets)
  - Hosea 1.1
  - Amos 1.1
  - Micah 1.1

We will try to orient ourselves to the prophets 3 ways

- Their relationship to Genesis 3.15—  
God's promise of restoration through judgment of a human being
- Their relationship to the Abrahamic covenant
- Their relationship to the Mosaic covenant

## With reference to Genesis 3.15

- God has progressively revealed that salvation will come through a human being; through a human descendant of Abraham; through a human descendant of the Covenant People; and through a descendant of King David
- The prophets are mouthpieces for God to those people

# Jonah

- During the days of Jeroboam II of Israel, who reigned 793-753 BC.
- Is sent to Nineveh, the capital city of Assyria.
- It is Assyria who will destroy the nation of Israel in 721 BC. II Kings 15.27-31
- He is sent to preach 1.2, and he knows full well that his preaching will result in their salvation. 4.2

# Jonah

- Relates to Genesis 3.15 through his 3 days in the belly of the whale.  
Matthew 12.39-41
- Relates to the Abrahamic Covenant because he highlights God's concern for other nations
- Displays the need for a perfect Savior—Jonah is glad for his own deliverance, but not for Nineveh's

# Hosea

- 1.1 During the days of 4 Judean kings and 1 Samarian king
- Predicts the total destruction of Samaria, and the survival of Judah. 1.2-9
- Predicts the restoration. 1.10-11
- Illustrate God's relationship with Israel in 1-3—an adulterous wife
- Preaches to them in 4-13

# Hosea

- Relates to Genesis 3.15 with a prediction about Jesus. 11.1/Matt. 2.15
- Relates to the Abrahamic covenant by repeating part of its promise. 1.10
- Relates to the Mosaic covenant by describing the nation of Israel's historic infidelity to God



# Amos

- 1.1 During 2 kings of Judah, and 1 king of Samaria
- Preaches about nations near Israel. 1.3-2.3
- Preaches about Judah. 2.4-5
- Preaches about Israel. 2.6-16
- Preaches to the entire Covenant people. 3.1-6.14
- Has a series of visions. 7.1-9.15

# Amos

- Amos emphasizes the justice of God and demands that Israel be just.
- Amos emphasized the covenant status of Israel. 3.2
- And recounts the many ways in which Israel violated that covenant. 3.2
- 2.6-7; 5.1-14