The wider Old Testament world

Patriarchs, Exodus, kingdoms and exile | Numbers match the Scripture key; * marks a qualified location.



LOCATION / SCRIPTURE

Tap a Scripture reference to open the KJV passage.

01 Ur of the Chaldees *
Genesis 11:27-31
Abram's family leaves Ur

02 Haran
Genesis 11:31-12:5
Abram departs toward Canaan

03 Nineveh
Jonah 3:1-10
Jonah preaches in the Assyrian city

04 Babylon
2 Kings 25:8-21
Judah taken into exile

05 Shushan / Susa
Esther 1:1-2
Setting of Esther's royal court

06 Achmetha / Ecbatana
Ezra 6:1-5
Cyrus's decree found in the archive

07 Damascus
2 Kings 5:1-14
Naaman and the rivers of Damascus

08 Jerusalem
2 Samuel 5:6-9
David makes Jerusalem his capital

09 Rameses *
Exodus 12:37
Israel departs from Egypt

10 Mount Sinai *
Exodus 19:1-20
Covenant at Sinai; Jebel Musa shown

11 Kadesh-barnea *
Numbers 13:25-33
The spies return with their report

12 Mount Nebo *
Deuteronomy 34:1-5
Moses views the land

* Ur follows the common southern identification. Rameses and Kadesh-barnea are proposed identifications. Sinai shows the traditional Jebel Musa, not a settled location; Nebo is approximate. No precise Exodus crossing or itinerary is asserted. Regional labels are broad geographic guides, not fixed political borders.

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Selected locations; modern coastlines used for orientation.

The land of Israel and its neighbors

A closer view of selected Old Testament places | Numbering restarts on this map.



LOCATION / SCRIPTURE

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01 **Dan**
Judges 18:27-31

02 **Hazor**
Joshua 11:10-13

03 **Mount Carmel**
1 Kings 18:19-39

04 **Megiddo**
2 Kings 23:29-30

05 **Samaria**
1 Kings 16:23-24

06 **Shechem**
Joshua 24:1-25

07 **Shiloh**
Joshua 18:1

08 **Bethel ***
Genesis 28:10-22

09 **Gibeon**
Joshua 10:6-14

10 **Jericho**
Joshua 6:1-20

11 **Jerusalem**
1 Kings 8:1-13

12 **Bethlehem**
1 Samuel 16:1-13

13 **Hebron**
Genesis 23:1-20

14 **Beersheba ***
Genesis 21:22-34

15 **Gaza**
Judges 16:1-3

16 **Ashkelon**
Judges 14:19

17 **Ashdod**
1 Samuel 5:1-7

18 **Lachish**
2 Kings 18:13-17

19 **En-gedi**
1 Samuel 24:1-7

20 **Mount Nebo ***
Deuteronomy 34:1-5

21 **Rabbah / Amman**
2 Samuel 12:26-31

22 **Tyre**
1 Kings 5:1-12

* Bethel is shown at the commonly proposed Beitin location; Beersheba marks the Tel Beer Sheva area rather than an exact patriarchal well; Nebo is approximate. Markers locate the city, area or mountain, not the precise spot of every event. Modern country borders are omitted to avoid mixing periods.

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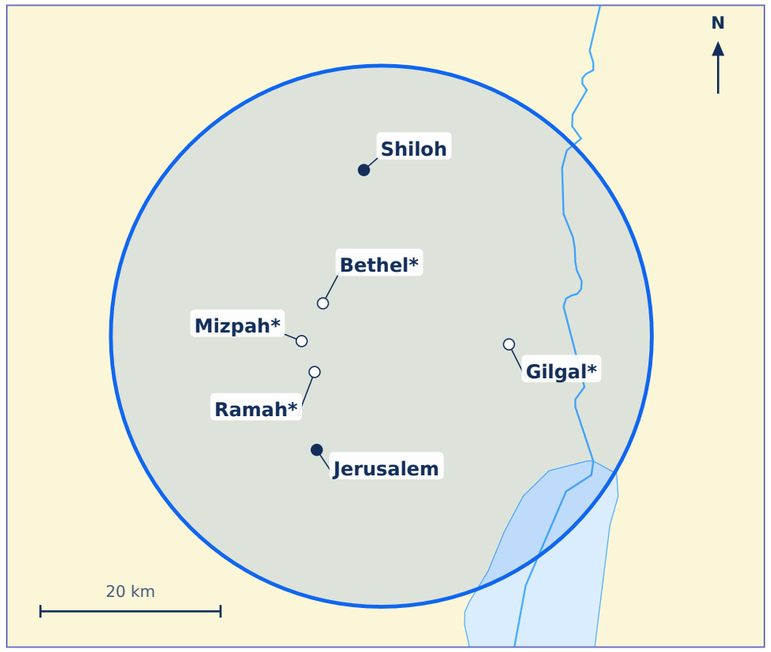
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Early prophetic ministry

01-03 | Core ministry areas in the biblical narratives | All eras are approximate and BC.

01 SAMUEL

11th century BC

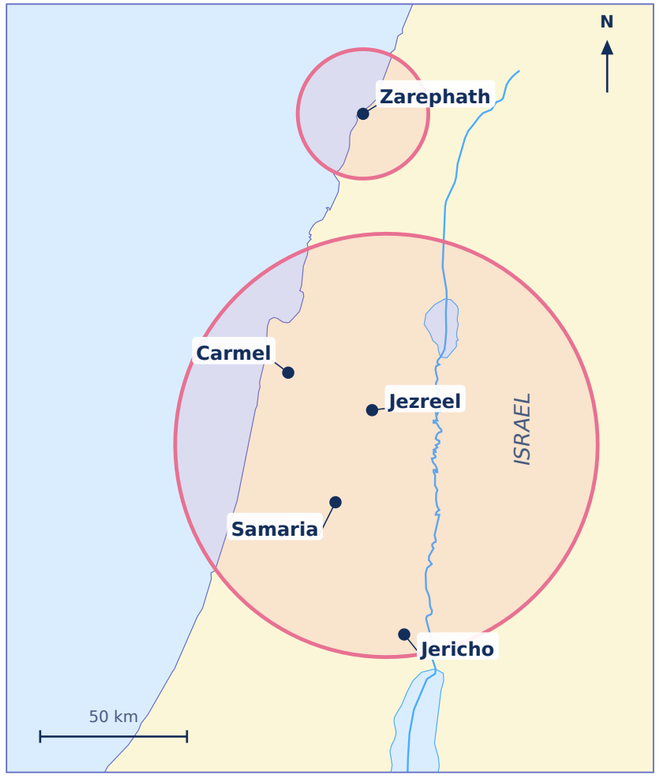


Central hill-country circuit: Ramah, Bethel, Mizpah and Gilgal. The halo covers that local circuit; 1 Samuel 3:20 describes wider recognition from Dan to Beersheba.

1 Samuel 7:15-17; 3:20

02 ELIJAH

9th century BC

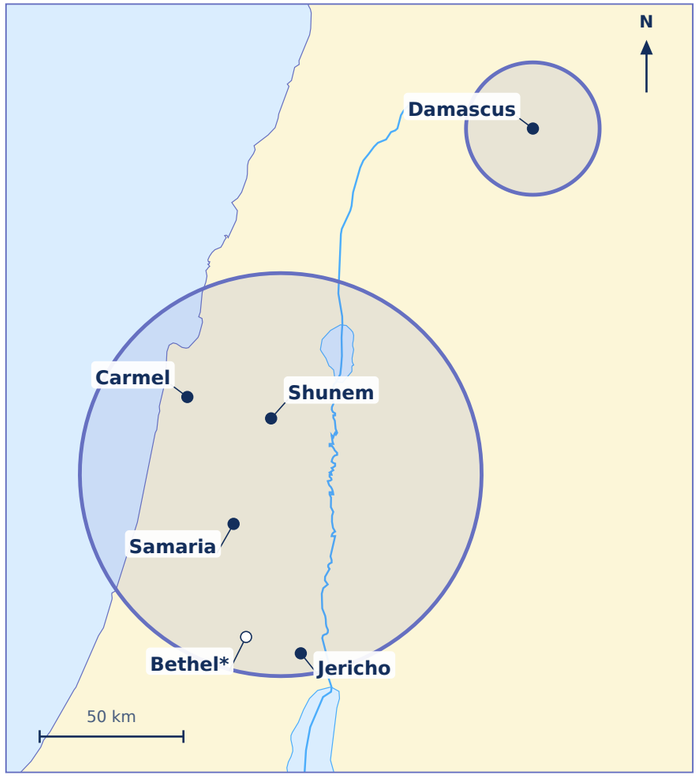


Northern kingdom confrontations and the Zarephath household. The southern flight to Beersheba and Horeb is outside this core-area view (1 Kings 19:1-18).

1 Kings 17:8-10; 18:19-46; 21:17-19; 2 Kings 2:1-6

03 ELISHA

9th to early 8th century BC



Northern Israel, prophetic communities, households and royal contacts. A separate halo marks Damascus, where 2 Kings 8 explicitly places him.

2 Kings 2:19-25; 4:8-37; 8:7-15

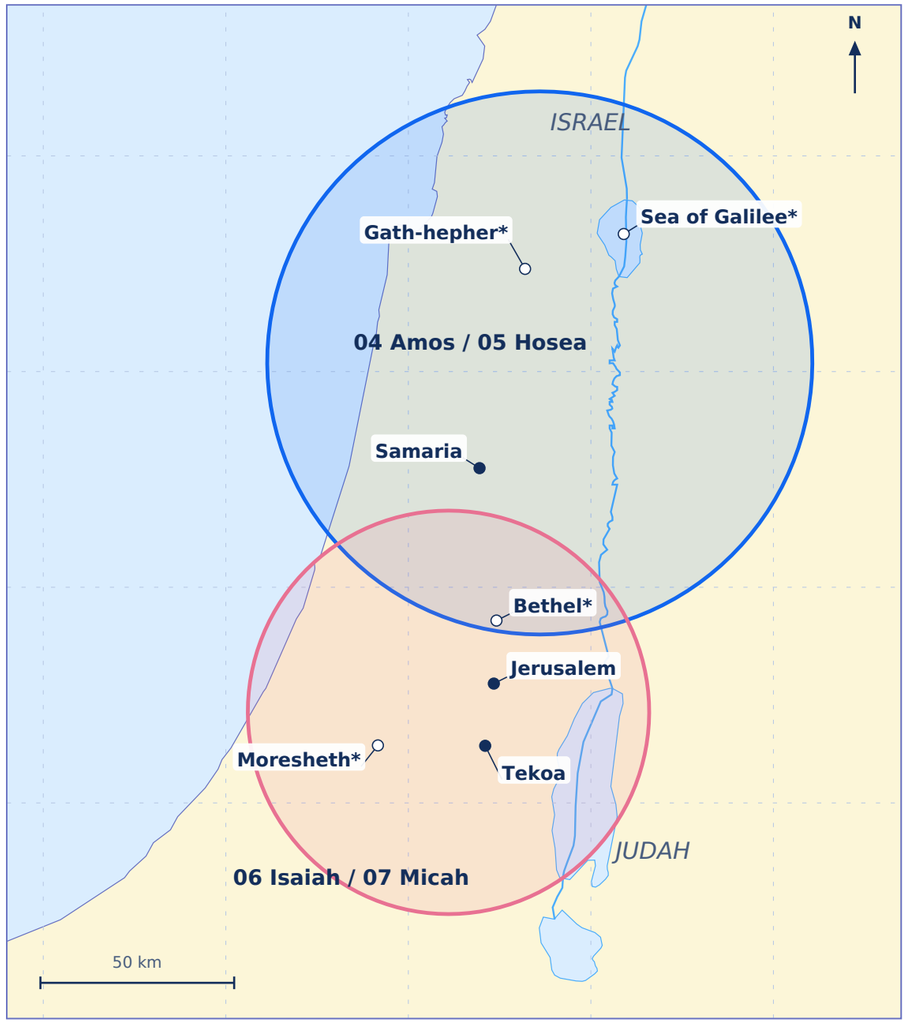
Rings are approximate cartographic ministry/audience halos, not measured limits, routes, political borders or proof of influence over every place inside. * Proposed site identifications; Samuel's Ramah and Gilgal remain debated. The three maps use different scales.

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Prophetic voices in the eighth century

04-08 | Shared geographic cores are grouped; individual eras and textual anchors remain separate.



04 **Amos**

Mid-8th century BC

From Tekoa in Judah; prophesies at Bethel in Israel.

Amos 1:1; 7:10-15

05 **Hosea**

c. 750-725 BC

Northern Israel / Ephraim; Samaria as a regional anchor.

Hosea 1:1; 4:1; 7:1

06 **Isaiah**

Late 8th century BC

Judah and Jerusalem; court and temple setting.

Isaiah 1:1; 6:1; 7:3; 37:1-7

07 **Micah**

Late 8th century BC

Judah ministry; Samaria is also addressed (Micah 1).

Micah 1:1-6; 3:9-12; Jeremiah 26:18

08 JONAH / NINEVEH

8th century BC narrative setting



The circle marks Nineveh, where Jonah 3 places his preaching. Gath-hepher identifies his home in 2 Kings 14:25. Joppa is a departure point, not a ministry-radius claim.

2 Kings 14:23-25; Jonah 1:3; 3:1-10

READING THE TWO CORES

Blue: northern Israel audience. Pink: Judah/Jerusalem ministry. Shared circles do not mean identical travel or reach.

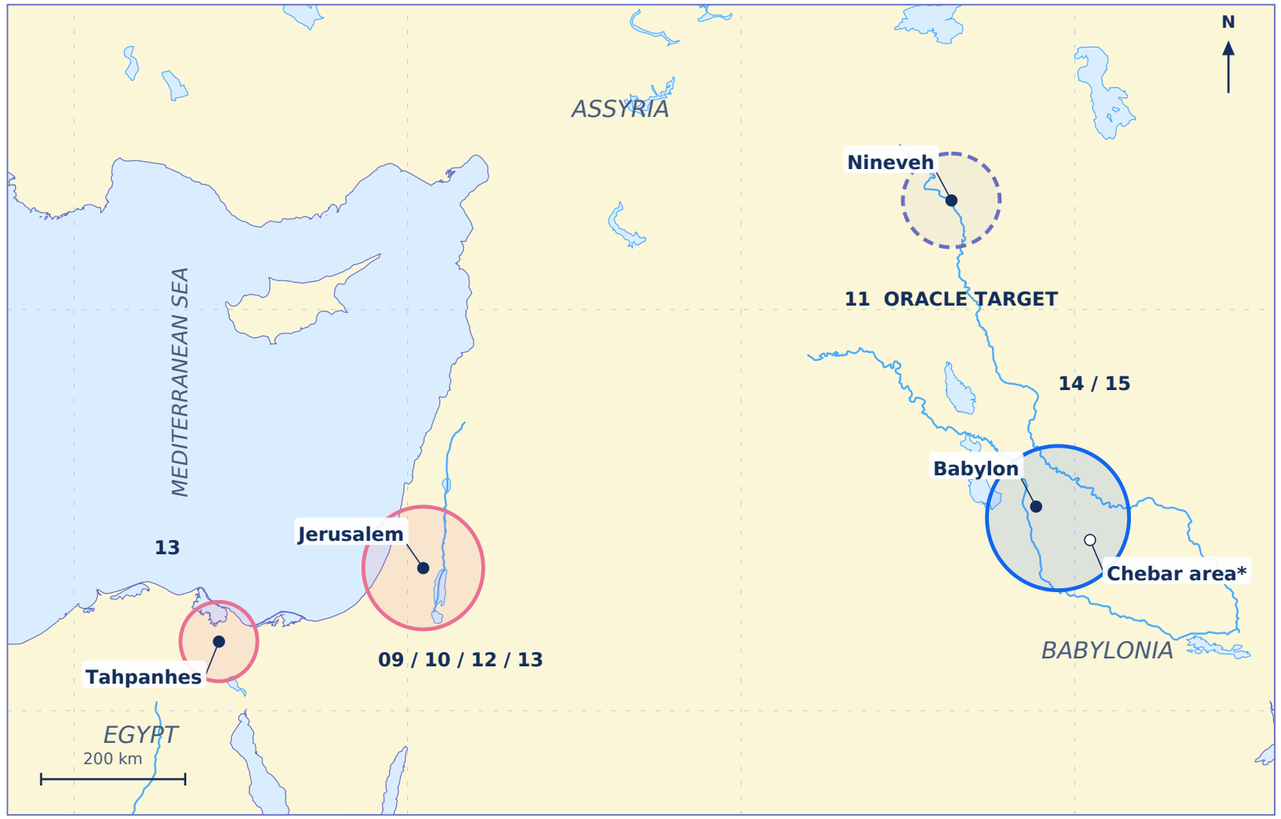
DATE QUALIFICATION

The era comes from Jeroboam II in Kings. The Nineveh episode has no explicit regnal date; the book's composition is a separate question.

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Judah, the nations and the exile

09-15 | Late seventh to sixth centuries BC | Solid circles: ministry focus; dashed circles: oracle targets.



13 Jeremiah

c. 627 BC to after 587/586 BC

Judah/Jerusalem, then Tahpanhes in Egypt. His letter also reaches exiles in Babylon (Jeremiah 29:1-7).

Jeremiah 1:1-3; 43:6-8; 29:1-7

PRESENCE IS DIFFERENT FROM AN ORACLE

Nahum addresses Nineveh; Scripture does not place him there. Ezekiel ministers among exiles near the Chebar. Daniel's court setting is Babylon; his vision of Shushan is not plotted as a confirmed journey (Daniel 8:2).

09 Zephaniah

Within 640-609 BC

Judah/Jerusalem; within Josiah's reign.

Zephaniah 1:1-4; 3:1-4

10 Huldah

c. 622 BC consultation

Jerusalem; a dated royal consultation.

2 Kings 22:3; 22:14-20

11 Nahum

Between c. 664 and 612 BC

Nineveh target; the prophet's own base is uncertain.

Nahum 1:1; 1:15; 3:8-10

12 Habakkuk

Late 7th / early 6th century BC

Judah context inferred; precise locality unknown.

Habakkuk 1:1-6; 2:1-4

14 Ezekiel

593-571 BC dated oracles

Exiles by Chebar; regional marker near Nippur.

Ezekiel 1:1-3; 3:15; 29:17

15 Daniel

c. 605-536 BC story setting

Babylon court; dates describe the narrative setting.

Daniel 1:1-6; 2:48; 10:1-4

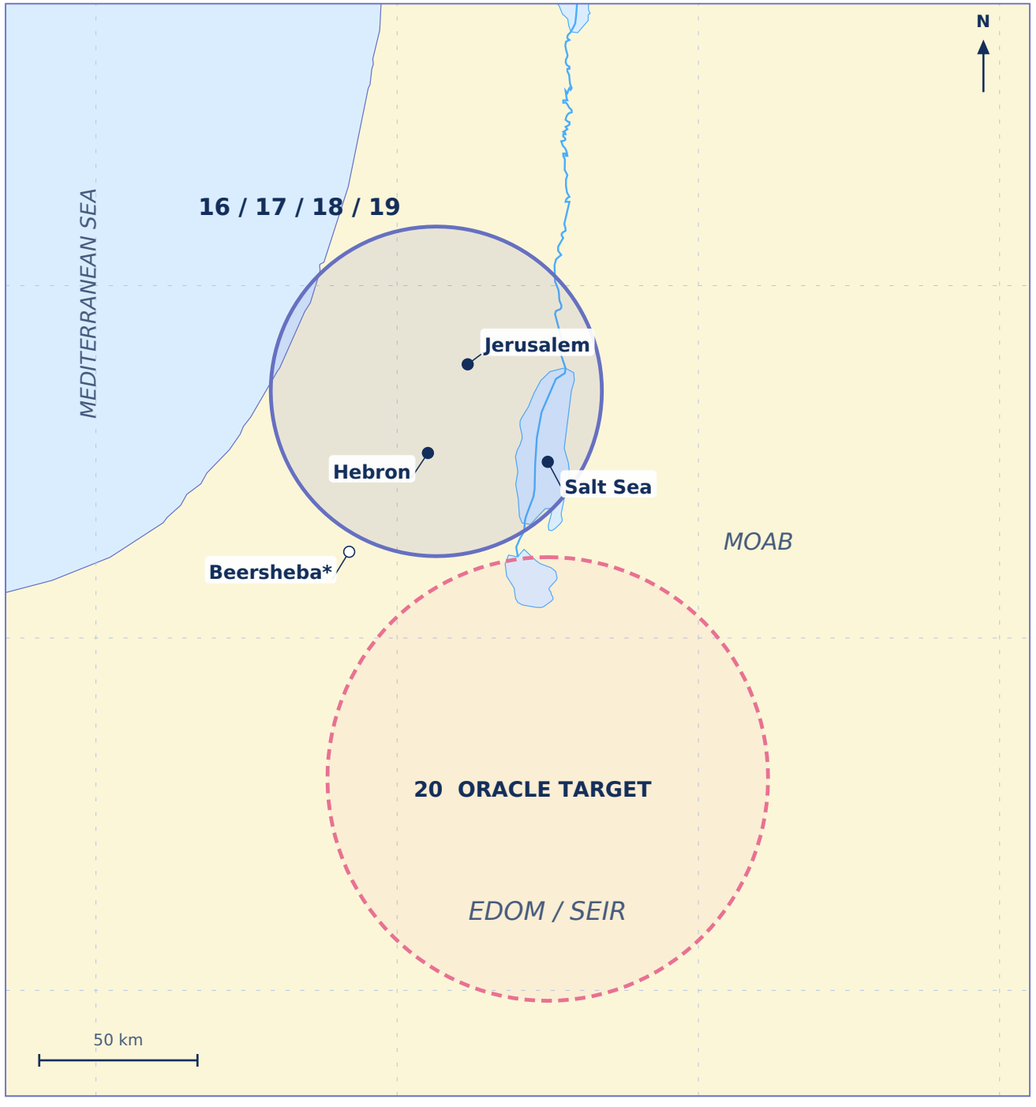
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Restoration and dates still debated

16-20 | Jerusalem, Judah and Edom | Joel and Obadiah are grouped here for comparison, not fixed chronology.



16 Haggai

520 BC dated messages

Jerusalem and Judah. Encourages the returned community to rebuild the temple.

Haggai 1:1-8; 2:10; Ezra 5:1-2

17 Zechariah

520-518 BC dated messages

Jerusalem and Judah. The dated headings span 520-518 BC; this is not a certain end to his ministry.

Zechariah 1:1; 7:1; Ezra 5:1-2

18 Malachi

5th century BC (approx.)

Restored temple community in Judah. Fifth-century placement is approximate, often around 460 BC.

Malachi 1:1; 1:6-8; 3:1-4

19 Joel

Date unresolved

Judah and Jerusalem. No king is named. A postexilic setting is favored by many scholars, but a precise era remains unresolved.

Joel 1:1; 1:13-14; 2:15-17; 3:1

20 Obadiah

6th century BC proposed

Edom is addressed; Judah/Zion is the restoration focus. Often placed after Jerusalem's fall in 586 BC; earlier dates are proposed.

Obadiah 1:1; 1:10-14; 1:17

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Scripture and chronology: the evidence key

Tap Scripture for the KJV text; tap each era source for historical context. c. = approximately; BC = before Christ.

01 Samuel | 11th century BC

1 Samuel 3:20; 7:15-17
Era source: Getty: Samuel
Century estimate; the circuit is explicit in the text.

02 Elijah | 9th century BC

1 Kings 17:1-10; 18:19-46; 21:17-19; 2 Kings 2:1-6
Era source: Oxford: Elijah
Ahab/Ahaziah setting; not an exact lifespan.

03 Elisha | 9th to early 8th century BC

2 Kings 2:19-25; 4:8-37; 8:7-15; 13:14-20
Era source: Oxford: Elisha
Kings places his death in the reign of Joash.

04 Amos | Mid-8th century BC

Amos 1:1; 7:10-15
Era source: ESV: Amos
Jeroboam II / Uzziah setting; commonly c. 750 BC.

05 Hosea | c. 750-725 BC

Hosea 1:1; 4:1; 7:1
Era source: USCCB: Hosea
Approximate ministry span, before Samaria falls.

06 Isaiah | Late 8th century BC

Isaiah 1:1; 6:1; 7:3; 37:1-7
Era source: USCCB: Isaiah
Call c. 742/740 BC; active in 701; later end uncertain.

07 Micah | Late 8th century BC

Micah 1:1-6; 3:9-12; Jeremiah 26:18
Era source: ESV: Micah
Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah; exact span uncertain.

08 Jonah | 8th century BC setting

2 Kings 14:23-25; Jonah 3:1-10
Era source: ESV: Jonah
Kings supplies the era; no date for the Nineveh visit.

09 Zephaniah | Within 640-609 BC

Zephaniah 1:1-4; 3:1-4
Era source: USCCB: Zephaniah
Josiah's reign is the window, not a ministry duration.

10 Huldah | c. 622 BC consultation

2 Kings 22:3; 22:14-20
Era source: USCCB: 2 Chronicles 34
Josiah's 18th year; no full ministry span is known.

11 Nahum | Between c. 664 and 612 BC

Nahum 1:1; 1:15; 3:8-10
Era source: ESV: Nahum
After the fall of Thebes, before Nineveh's fall.

12 Habakkuk | Late 7th / early 6th century BC

Habakkuk 1:1-6; 2:1-4
Era source: USCCB: Habakkuk
Undated book; often placed around Babylon's rise.

13 Jeremiah | c. 627 BC to after 587/586 BC

Jeremiah 1:1-3; 7:1-2; 43:6-8
Era source: ESV: Jeremiah
Starts in Josiah's 13th year; final year unknown.

14 Ezekiel | 593-571 BC dated oracles

Ezekiel 1:1-3; 3:15; 29:17
Era source: ESV: Ezekiel
First and last dated oracles; not a lifespan.

15 Daniel | c. 605-536 BC story setting

Daniel 1:1-6; 2:48; 10:1-4
Era source: ESV: Daniel
Narrative setting; composition dating is debated.

16 Haggai | 520 BC dated messages

Haggai 1:1-8; 2:10; Ezra 5:1-2
Era source: USCCB: Haggai
Darius I's second year; messages in Aug.-Dec.

17 Zechariah | 520-518 BC dated messages

Zechariah 1:1; 7:1; Ezra 5:1-2
Era source: USCCB: Zechariah 7
Dated headings in chapters 1-8; later endpoint unknown.

18 Malachi | 5th century BC (approx.)

Malachi 1:1; 1:6-8; 3:1-4
Era source: ESV: Malachi
After temple rebuilding; c. 460 BC is one estimate.

19 Joel | Date unresolved

Joel 1:1; 1:13-14; 2:15-17; 3:1
Era source: ESV: Joel
Postexilic date favored by many; other dates proposed.

20 Obadiah | 6th century BC proposed

Obadiah 1:1; 1:10-14; 1:17
Era source: ESV: Obadiah
Often after 586 BC; an earlier setting is also proposed.

Scope: the sixteen book-named prophets, plus Samuel, Elijah, Elisha and Huldah. This is a selected ministry-area atlas, not every OT prophet.

Date ranges reflect historical synthesis from biblical regnal settings and the linked study sources. They do not measure a prophet's total lifetime or the later reach of Scripture. Map circles are editorial geographic summaries. The dataset and base-map sources remain OpenBible.info and Natural Earth.