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  - a) Path of mature virtue
  - b) Path of moral victory
  - c) Path of mystic vision

**Studies in Proverbs**  
**STUDY 21**

**THE RIGHT FEATURES IN LIFE**  
**(Proverbs 17:1-28)**

**I. PEACE (v.1)**

**II. PROMOTION (v.2)**

**III. PUNISHMENT (v.3-5)**

1. The Lord (v.3)
2. The liar (v.4)
3. The laugh (v.5)

**IV. PRIORITIES (v.6-9)**

1. Of fathers (v.6)
2. Of fools (v.7-8)
3. Of friends (v.9)

**V. PRINCIPLES (v.22-21)**

1. Of undermining fundamentals (v.11-16)
  - a) Unruly man (v.11)
  - b) Unthinking man (v.12)
  - c) Ungrateful man (v.13)
  - d) Unstable man (v.14)
  - e) Unfair man (v.15)
  - f) Unteachable man (v.16)
2. Of understanding friendship (v.17-18)
  - a) How to develop a friendship (v.17)
  - b) How to destroy a friendship (v.18)
3. Of underlying follies (v.19-21)
  - a) A man and his motives (v.19)
  - b) A talker and his tongue (v.20)
  - c) A fool and his father (v.21)

**VI. PROBLEMS (v.22-26)**

1. Facing gloom (v.22)
2. False gifts (v.23)
3. Foolish goals (v.24)
4. Family griefs (v.25)
5. Fatal guilt (v.26)

**VII. PRONOUNCEMENTS (v.27-28)**

1. How to show wisdom (v.27)
2. How to seem wise (v.28)

**Studies in Proverbs**  
**STUDY 22**

**HOW TO BUILD CHARACTER**  
**(Proverbs 18:1 - 22:16)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. ALIENATION OR FRIENDSHIP? (18:1-24)**

1. Ruin for the fool's mouth (**v.1-9**)
2. Defence for the humble spirit (**v.10-16**)
3. Power of the tongue (**v.17-21**)
4. Fruit of love (**v.22-24**)

**II. MISCELLANEOUS MAXIMS (19:1 - 22:16)**

1. Chapter 19
  - a) The poor man (**v.1-7**)
  - b) The good man (**v.8-17**)
  - c) Counsel and discipline (**v.18-29**)
2. Chapter 20
  - a) Prudence (**v.1-5**)
  - b) Words and deeds (**v.6-11**)
  - c) Falsehood (**v.12-19**)
  - d) Man's steps and the Lord (**v.20-30**)
3. Chapter 21
  - a) The sovereign Lord (**v.1-3**)
  - b) Violence and the wicked (**v.4-8**)
  - c) Terror for the unrighteous (**v.9-18**)
  - d) Treasure for the righteous (**v.19-26**)
  - e) The victorious Lord (**v.27-31**)
4. Chapter 22
  - a) Happy rewards and evil consequences (**v.1-12**)
  - b) Four sinful ways (**v.13-16**)

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Proverbs**  
**STUDY 23**

**APPEAL TO ACTION**  
**(Proverbs 22:17 - 24:34)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. BACKGROUND**

1. Theme and purpose
2. Style
3. Writers

**II. SURVEY**

**III. COMMENTARY**

1. Introduction (**22:17-21**)
  - a) Exhortations (**v.17-18a**)
  - b) Purposes and fruits (**v.18b-21**)
2. What to avoid (**22:22 - 23:11**)
3. What to embrace (**23:12-25**)
4. Two snares (**23:26-35**)
  - a) Prostitutes (**v.26-28**)
  - b) Wine (**v.29-35**)
5. Wisdom and folly (**24:1-22**)
  - a) Introduction (**v.1-2**)
  - b) Descriptions of wisdom (**v.3-7**)
  - c) Descriptions of folly (**v.8-9**)
  - d) An appeal for loving the helpless (**v.10-12**)
  - e) Invitation to wisdom (**v.13-14**)
  - f) Relationships between the righteous and the evil (**v.15-20**)
  - g) Conclusion (**v.21-22**)

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Proverbs**  
**STUDY 24**

**DESCRIPTIONS OF GODLINESS**  
**(Proverbs 25:1 - 29:27)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. BACKGROUND**

1. King Hezekiah
2. Hezekiah's aides

**II. SURVEY**

**III. COMMENTARY**

1. Righteous kings (**25:1-10**)
2. Apples of gold (**25:11-18**)
3. Evil men (**26:1-28**)
4. Human relations (**27:1-27**)
5. Pure religion (**28:1-28**)
  - a) Pure religion (**v.1-14**)
  - b) Consistent living (**v.15-28**)
6. Concluding maxims (**29:1-27**)

**CONCLUSION**



**Studies in Proverbs**  
**STUDY 25**

**EPILOGUE**  
**(Proverbs 30:1-31:31)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. THE WORDS OF AGUR (30:1-33)**

1. Numerical proverbs (**v.7-31**)
2. The title (**v.1**)
3. Theological section (**v.2-9**)
  - a) Longing for the knowledge of God (**v.2-4**)
  - b) God revealed by His Word (**v.5-6**)
  - c) Twofold prayer to God (**v.7-9**)
    - (i) Truth (**v.8**)
    - (ii) Satisfaction (**v.8-9**)
  - d) Practical section (**v.10-33**)
    - (i) Four arrogant things (**v.10-14**)
    - (ii) Four insatiable things (**v.15-17**)
    - (iii) Four amazing things (**v.18-20**)
    - (iv) Four intolerable things (**v.21-23**)
    - (v) Four things little and wise (**v.24-28**)
    - (vi) Four stately things (**v.29-31**)
    - (vii) Conclusion

**II. THE WORDS OF KING LEMUEL (31:1-31)**

1. The title (**v.1**)
2. The message (**v.2-31**)
  - a) Counsel to a king (**v.2-9**)
  - b) Praise of a noble wife (**31:10-31**)
    - (i) The quest for a noble wife (**v.10**)
    - (ii) Description of a noble wife (**v.11-27**)
    - (iii) Praises of a noble wife (**v.28-31**)

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Ecclesiastes**  
**STUDY 1**

**INTRODUCTION: THE AUTHOR, THE MOTTO AND**  
**THE SURVEY OF THE SCENE**  
**(Ecclesiastes 1:1-11)**

**INTRODUCTION**

1. Importance
2. Key
  - a) The natural man
  - b) The spiritual man
3. Structure
4. Title

**I. THE AUTHOR (1:1)**

1. The teacher
  - a) A penitent soul
  - b) A preaching soul
2. Son of David
3. King of Jerusalem

**II. THE MOTTO (1:2)**

**III. A SURVEY OF THE SCENE (v.3-11)**

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ecclesiastes**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE FIRST SERMON**

**(Ecclesiastes 1:12 - 3:15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. UNDER THE SUN (1:12 - 2:23)**

1. Intellect is not the key to life (**1:12-18**)
2. Pleasure is not the key to life (**2:1-11**)
3. Pre-eminence is not the key to life (**2:12-17**)
4. Hard work is not the key to life (**2:18-23**)

##### **II. GOD IN THE PICTURE (2:24 - 3:15)**

1. There is no satisfaction without God (**2:24-26**)
2. Everything is part of a plan (**3:1-8**)
3. Everything is full of purpose (**3:9-15**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ecclesiastes**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE SECOND SERMON**

**(Ecclesiastes 3:16 - 5:20)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. FUTILITY (3:16 - 4:16)**

1. No pre-eminence (3:16-22)
2. No comforter (4:1-3)
3. No rest (4:4-6)
4. No companion (4:7-12)
5. No following (4:13-16)

##### **II. WORSHIP OF GOD (5:1-7)**

1. House of God (v.1-3)
2. Vows to God (v.4-7)

##### **III. FUTILITY (5:8-17)**

1. No justice (v.8-9)
2. No satisfaction (v.10-12)
3. No permanence (v.13-17)

##### **IV. GIFTS FROM GOD (5:18-20)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ecclesiastes**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **THE THIRD SERMON**

**(Ecclesiastes 6:1 - 8:13)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. FUTILITY - THREE THINGS WHICH ARE A WASTE OF TIME (6:1-12)**

1. Hoping wealth will last (**v.1-2**)
2. Hoping wealth will satisfy (**v.3-9**)
3. Hoping things will change (**v.10-12**)

##### **II. WISDOM - NINE THINGS WHICH ARE WORTHWHILE (7:1 - 8:13)**

1. Honour is better than luxury (**7:1**)
2. Seriousness is better than frivolity (**7:2-6**)
3. Restraint is better than rashness (**7:7-10**)
4. Wisdom is better than wealth (**7:11-12**)
5. Submission is better than rebellion (**7:13-14**)
6. Godliness is better than everything (**7:15-21**)
7. Revelation is better than reason (**7:22-29**)
8. Discretion is better than stubbornness (**8:1-5**)
9. The fear of God is better than evil (**8:6-13**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ecclesiastes**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **THE FOURTH SERMON**

**(Ecclesiastes 8:14 - 12:7)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. FUTILITY (8:14 - 10:20)**

1. Enjoy yourself while you can (8:14 - 9:16)
  - a) Because God's purposes are unknowable (8:14-17)
  - b) Because death is the end (9:1-10)
  - c) Because life is uncertain (9:11-16)
2. Lessons worth learning (9:17 - 10:20)
  - a) About wisdom and folly (9:17 - 10:15)
  - b) About the rule of kings (10:16-20)

##### **II. PURPOSE (11:1 - 12:7)**

1. Do good whenever you can (11:1-8)
2. Serve God while you are young (11:9 - 12:7)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ecclesiastes**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **EPILOGUE**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. THE CONCLUSION OF THE EARTH-BOUND MAN (12:8)**

**II. THE AIM AND AUTHORITY OF THE PREACHER (12:9-12)**

**III. THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER (12:13-14)**

1. The fear of God
2. The inward life of a man/woman shows itself outwardly in obedience
3. Day of Judgement (10 Commandments)
  - a) No other gods
  - b) No idols
  - c) No Lord's Name in vain
  - d) Keep Sabbath holy
  - e) Honour father and mother
  - f) No murder
  - g) No adultery
  - h) No stealing
  - i) No lies
  - j) No coveting

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Song of Songs**  
STUDY 1

**THE ROYAL RELATIONSHIP**  
(Song of Songs 1:1)

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. BACKGROUND**

1. Date and authorship
2. Interpretation
3. Use
4. Message
  - a) Love is mutual
  - b) Love is exclusive
  - c) Love is total
  - d) Love is beautiful

**II. THE ROYAL RELATIONSHIP**

1. The best singers
2. The best subject
3. The best setting

**CONCLUSION**



**Studies in Song of Songs**  
**STUDY 2**

**LONGING AND DISCOVERY**  
**(Song of Songs 1:2 - 2:7)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. YEARNING FOR THE ABSENT LOVER (1:2-4)**

1. Specific in its object
2. Yearning is passionate in its quality
3. Encouraged by her friends

**II. APOLOGISING FOR HER COMPLEXION (1:5-6)**

**III. PROPOSING AN ENCOUNTER (1:7-8)**

**IV. ADMIRING HER WORTH AND BEAUTY (1:9-11)**

**V. ADMIRING HIS EROTIC IMPACT (1:12-14)**

**VI. SHARING THEIR MUTUAL ADMIRATION (1:15 - 2:4)**

**VII. YEARNING FOR INTIMACY (2:5-6)**

**VIII. SWEARING HER FRIENDS TO PATIENCE (2:7)**

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Song of Songs**  
**STUDY 3**

**INVITATION, SUSPENCE, RESPONSE**  
**(Song of Songs 2:8 - 3:5)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- I. **DESCRIPTION OF THE LOVER'S APPROACH AND INVITATION** (2:8-14)
- II. **HER TESTING RESPONSE** (2:15-16)
- III. **INVITATION TO INTIMACY** (2:17)
- IV. **FRUSTRATION AND FULFILMENT** (3:1-4)

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Song of Songs**  
**STUDY 4**

**CEREMONY AND SATISFACTION**  
**(Song of Songs 3:6 - 5:1)**

**INTRODUCTION**

1. The splendour of matrimony
2. The esteem of each partner for the other
3. The exclusiveness of the relationship

**I. HER DESCRIPTION OF THE GROOM'S ARRIVAL (3:6-11)**

**II. HIS DESCRIPTION OF THE BRIDE'S BEAUTY (4:1-7)**

**III. HIS INVITATION TO THE BRIDE (4:8)**

**IV. HIS ADMIRATION OF THE BRIDE (4:9-15)**

**V. HER INVITATION TO THE GROOM (4:16)**

**VI. HIS SONG OF CONSUMMATION (5:1)**

**VII. A TOAST TO THE BRIDE AND GROOM (5:1)**

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in the Song of Songs**  
**STUDY 5**

**FRUSTRATION AND DELIGHT**  
**(Song of Solomon 5:2 - 6:3)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- I. **REPORT OF A VEXING DREAM** (5:2-7)
- II. **CALL FOR URGENT HELP** (5:8)
- III. **TEASING QUESTION** (5:9)
- IV. **DESCRIPTION OF LOVER'S BEAUTY** (5:10-16)
- V. **RESPONSE OF DELIGHT AND COMMITMENT** (6:2-3)

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in the Song of Songs**  
**STUDY 6**

**A SONG OF LOVE**  
**(Song of Solomon 6:4 - 8:14)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- I. **THE LOVER'S PRAISE** (6:4-10)
- II. **LOVE'S QUESTION** (6:11-13)
- III. **LOVE'S REPETITIONS** (7:1-9)
- IV. **LOVE'S BELONGING AND GIVING** (7:9-13)
- V. **LOVE'S LONGING AND LIBERTY** (8:1-4)
- VI. **LOVE'S SEAL AND STRENGTH** (8:5-7)
- VII. **CONCLUSION** (8:8-14)

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **AN INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE MAN**

1. Himself
2. His family
3. His times
  - a) International
  - b) Domestic
4. His task

##### **II. THE BOOK**

1. The author
2. The prophet of the gospel
3. Outline of the book
4. The majesty and greatness of God
5. His theme and purpose

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **ISAIAH'S MISSION**

**(Isaiah 1:1 - 5:30)**

#### **I. GOD'S LAMENT OVER JUDAH'S CORRUPTION (1:1-31)**

1. The heading of the whole book (**v.1**)
2. God's judgement (**v.2-23**)
3. God's vengeance (**v.24-31**)

#### **II. THE KINGDOM AND ITS INTRODUCTORY JUDGEMENTS (2:2 - 4:6)**

1. The reign of the Messiah (**2:1-4**)
2. Appeal and warning (**2:5 - 3:26**)
3. The branch of the Lord (**4:1-6**)

#### **III. THE SONG OF THE VINEYARD (5:1-30)**

1. The parable itself (**v.1-6**)
2. Its interpretation (**v.7**)
3. Its application (**v.8-30**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **ISAIAH'S CALL**

**(Isaiah 6:1-13)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. SEEING THE LORD (v.1-4)**

1. The supreme glory of God (**v.1**)
2. The attendants and their song (**v.2-4**)

##### **II. SEEING HIMSELF (v.5-8)**

1. Prostrate
2. Made confession
3. His cleansing

##### **III. SEEING THE WORLD (v.8-13)**

##### **IV. LESSONS**

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **ISAIAH'S MESSAGE**

**(Isaiah 7:1 - 12:6)**

##### **I. THE BIRTH OF IMMANUEL (7:1-16)**

1. The occasion of the prophecy (**v.1-9**)
2. The sign to the house of David (**v.10-16**)

##### **II. THE FAILURE OF JUDAH (8:1-22)**

##### **III. THE VICTORY OF THE COMING RULER (9:1-7)**

##### **IV. EPHRAIM AND THE LORD (9:8 - 10:4)**

##### **V. JUDGEMENT AGAINST ASSYRIA (10:5-34)**

##### **VI. THE BRANCH FROM JESSE'S ROOT (11:1-16)**

##### **VII. THE SONG OF REDEMPTION (12:1-6)**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **ISAIAH'S NEIGHBOURS**

**(Isaiah 13:1 - 23:18)**

#### **I. BABYLON (13:1 - 14:27, 21:1-10)**

1. The Fall of Babylon (**13:1-16**)
2. The Medes will defeat Babylon (**13:7-22**)
3. A time of prosperity (**14:1-2**)
4. Destruction of the king of Babylon (**14:3-27**)

#### **II. PHILISTIA (14:28-32)**

#### **III. MOAB (15:1 - 16:14)**

#### **IV. DAMASCUS (17:1-14)**

#### **V. CUSH (18:1-7)**

#### **VI. EGYPT (19:1 - 20:6)**

#### **VII. EDOM (21:11-12)**

#### **VIII. ARABIA (21:13-17)**

#### **IX. JUDAH (22:1-25)**

#### **X. PHOENICIA (23:1-18)**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **ISAIAH'S APOCALYPSE**

**(Isaiah 24:1 - 27:13)**

#### **I. JUDGEMENT (24:1-23)**

#### **II. RESTORATION (25:1 - 27:6)**

1. For the salvation of the nations (**25:1-8**)
2. For Zion's happiness and Moab's humiliation (**25:9-12**)
3. Judah's restoration and resurrection (**26:1 - 27:1**)
4. For the Lord's protection of His people (**27:2-6**)

#### **III. JUDGEMENT (27:7-11)**

#### **IV. RESTORATION (27:12-13)**

#### **LESSONS**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **ISAIAH'S WOES**

**(Isaiah 28:1 - 33:24)**

- I. **WOES TO THE LEADERS OF EPHRAIM AND JUDAH** (28:1-29)
- II. **WOE TO JERUSALEM** (29:1-14)
- III. **WOE TO ALL WHO DENY GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY** (29:15-24)
- IV. **FIRST WOE TO THE PRO-EGYPTIAN PARTY** (30:1-33)
- V. **SECOND WOE TO THE PRO-EGYPTIAN PARTY** (31:1 - 32:20)
- VI. **WOE TO THE DESTROYER** (33:1-24)

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **ISIAIAH'S COUNSEL**

**(Isaiah 34:1 - 39:8)**

#### **I. THE BOOK OF JUDGEMENT AND RESTORATION (34:1 - 35:10)**

1. Judgement on the nations (**34:1-17**)
2. Restoration of Israel (**35:1-10**)

#### **II. THE BOOK OF HEZEKIAH (36:1 - 39:8)**

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2. Hezekiah and his illness (**38:1-22**)
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#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

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#### **ISAIAH'S CONSOLATION**

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1. The voice of grace (**v.1-2**)
2. The voice of providence (**v.3-5**)
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4. The voice of hope (**v.9-11**)

#### **II. THE OMNIPOTENCE OF GOD (40:12-31)**

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#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

### **STUDY 10**

#### **ISAIAH'S CREATOR**

**(Isaiah 42:5 - 43:28, 46:1 - 48:22)**

#### **I. GOD AND ISRAEL (42:5 - 43:28)**

1. God alone is worthy of praise (**42:5-17**)
2. Israel is blind and sinful (**42:18-25**)
3. God is merciful and compassionate (**43:1-28**)

#### **II. GOD AND BABYLON (46:1 - 48:22)**

1. Babylon's gods are doomed (**46:1-13**)
2. Babylon's empire will fall (**47:1-15**)
3. Babylon's captives will be released (**48:1-22**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Isaiah**

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#### **ISAIAH'S REDEEMER**

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#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Isaiah**

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1. Father's concern for him (**v.1**)
2. His qualifications (**v.1**)
3. His work (**v.1**)
4. His tenderness (**v.2-3**)
5. His courage (**v.4**)

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1. An audience is summoned (**v.1**)
2. His authority (**v.2-3**)
3. His promised success (**v.3-6**)

#### **III. THE SERVANT AS MARTYR (50:4-9)**

1. An acceptable preacher (**v.4**)
2. A patient sufferer (**v.5-6**)
3. A courageous champion (**v.7-9**)

#### **IV. THE SERVANT AS SAVIOUR (52:13 - 53:12)**

1. The divine Servant (**52:13-15**)
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5. The divine Satisfaction (**53:10-12**)

## **Studies in Isaiah**

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2. Messiah's ministry (**61:1-11**)
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  - b) Hastening the great day (**v.6-12**)

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2. Personal experiences (**11:1 - 20:18**)
  - a) Covenant and conspiracy: Jeremiah and the men of Anathoth (**11:1 - 12:17**)
    - (i) Covenant started (**v.1-8**)
    - (ii) Covenant broken (**v.9-17**)
    - (iii) Covenant preacher threatened (**v.18-23**)
  - b) Pride of Judah: Jeremiah and the linen girdle (**13:1-27**)
    - (i) Pride exposed (**v.1-14**)
    - (ii) Surrender of pride exhorted (**v.15-17**)
    - (iii) Pride punished (**v.18-27**)
  - c) The drought: Jeremiah as the interceding priest (**14:1-22**)
    - (i) Present drought (**v.1-6**)
    - (ii) First intercession (**v.7-9**)
    - (iii) Future famine (**v.10-12**)
    - (iv) Second intercession (**v.13-18**)
    - (v) Third intercession (**v.19-22**)
  - d) From despondency to hope: Jeremiah the rejected intercessor (**15:1-21**)
    - (i) Despondency (**v.1-10**)
    - (ii) Hope (**v.11-21**)

### **Studies in Jeremiah (3)**

#### **BOOK ONE**

- e) In this place: Jeremiah alone in a punished place (**16:1-18**)
  - (i) Grievous family deaths (**v.1-4**)
  - (ii) No mourning or mirth (**v.5-9**)
  - (iii) Worse evil (**v.10-13**)
  - (iv) Surrender to bondage (**v.14-15**)
  - (v) No escapees (**v.16-18**)
  
- f) The heart: Jeremiah remains true in heart (**16:19 - 17:18**)
  - (i) What the heart is by nature (**v.9-11**)
  - (ii) What the heart may choose (**v.5-8**)
  - (iii) Examples of choices
    - S heathen nations (**v.19-21**)
    - S Judah (**v.1-4**)
    - S Jeremiah and his persecutors (**v.12-18**)
  
- g) The law of the Sabbath: Jeremiah preaches at the city's gates (**17:19-27**)
  - (i) The action
  - (ii) The words
  
- h) Lessons from pottery: Jeremiah learns and preaches from pottery (**18:1 - 20:18**)
  - (i) Symbol of longsuffering (**18:1-23**)
  - (ii) Symbol of judgement (**19:1 - 20:6**)

## **Studies in Jeremiah**

### **PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OUTLINES**

#### **BOOK TWO**

#### **(Chapter 21-44)**

### **I. LATER PROPHECIES (21:1 - 33:26)**

#### **1. The sure captivity (21:1 - 29:32)**

##### **a) The decreed judgements (21:1 - 25:38)**

##### **(i) Against kings (21:1 - 23:8)**

S Jehoahaz

S Jehoiakim

S Jehoiakin

##### **(ii) Against prophets (23:9-40)**

##### **(iii) Against Zedekiah (24:1-10)**

##### **(iv) Against the people (25:1-11)**

##### **(v) Against Babylon (25:13-14)**

##### **(vi) Against other nations (25:15-38)**

##### **b) The authorised prophet (26:1 - 29:32)**

##### **(i) Jeremiah's life spared (26:1-27)**

## **Studies in Jeremiah (2)**

### **BOOK TWO**

(ii) Jeremiah's message authenticated (**27:1 - 29:32**)

S The message (**27:1-22**)

X Nations must serve Babylon (**v.1-11**)

X Judah must serve Babylon (**v.12-15**)

X Temple vessels go to Babylon (**v.16-22**)

- Opposition to the message judged (**28:1-17**)

- Other false prophets judged (**29:1-32**)

2. The ultimate deliverance (**30:1 - 33:26**)

a) A returned people (**30:1 - 31:26**)

(i) Israel and Judah (**30:1-22**)

(ii) Israel (**30:23 - 31:22**)

(iii) Judah (**31:23-26**)

b) A complete renovation (**31:27-40**)

(i) A new outlook (**31:27-40**)

(ii) A new covenant (**31:31-37**)

(iii) A new city (**31:38-40**)

c) The test of faith (**32:1 - 33:26**)

## **Studies in Jeremiah (3)**

### **BOOK TWO**

#### **II. DAYS OF FULFILMENT (34:1 - 44:30)**

1. The siege of Jerusalem (**34:1 - 38:28**)
  - a) Outcome of the siege re-stated (**34:1-7**)
  - b) Sin of the people renewed (**34:8 - 35:19**)
  - c) The prophet of God apprehended (**30:1 - 38:28**)
    - (i) The princes protect Jeremiah, the king opposes him (**30:1-32**)
    - (ii) The princes oppose Jeremiah, the king protects him (**32:1 - 38:28**)
2. The Fall of Jerusalem (**39:1-18**)
  - a) The Fall (**39:4-10**)
  - b) The men delivered (**39:11-18**)
3. Events in Judah after Jerusalem's fall (**40:1 - 44:30**)
  - a) Governorship of Gedaliah (**40:1 - 41:18**)
  - b) Migration to Egypt (**42:1 - 43:7**)
  - c) Judgement of the refugees (**43:8 - 44:30**)



## **Studies in Lamentations**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE SORROWING CITY**

**(Lamentations 1:1-22)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Title
2. Nature
3. Author
4. Use
5. Message

#### **II. HER CONDITION DESCRIBED (v.1-11)**

#### **III. HER LAMENT EXPRESSED (v.12-22)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Lamentations**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **FOCUSSING ON THE LORD**

**(Lamentations 2:1-22)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

I. **THE RESULT OF THE LORD'S PRAYER** (v.1-10)

II. **THE AGONY OF THE PEOPLE** (v.11-17)

III. **THE PLEA FOR RELIEF** (v.18-22)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Lamentations**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **HOPE IN THE MIDST OF AFFLICTION**

**(Lamentations 3:1-66)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF GOD'S WRATH (v.1-18)**

**II. HOPE IN THE LORD (v.19-42)**

1. The Lord's great love (**v.22**)
2. Great is Thy faithfulness (**v.23**)
3. The Lord is good (**v.25**)
4. Do not cast us off (**v.31**)
5. Does not afflict willingly (**v.33**)

**III. THE SUFFERING NATION (v.43-54)**

**IV. PRAYER OF GRATITUDE (v.55-66)**

1. You heard my plea (**v.56**)
2. Do not fear (**v.57**)
3. You redeemed me (**v.58**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Lamentations**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **FROM MISERY TO PRAYER**

**(Lamentations 4:1 - 5:22)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. SIN - THE CAUSE OF PUNISHMENT (4:1-22)**

1. Horrors of the siege (**v.1-12**)
2. Sin as the cause (**v.13-20**)
3. A ray of hope (**v.21-22**)

##### **II. PRAYER (5:1-22)**

1. Look upon us (**v.1-10**)
2. Woe unto us (**v.11-18**)
3. Restore us (**v.19-22**)
  - a) Ascription (**v.19**)
  - b) Question (**v.20**)
  - c) Petition (**v.21**)
  - d) Question (**v.22**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE MAN AND HIS TIMES**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. BACKGROUND**

##### **II. AUTHOR**

##### **III. DATE**

##### **IV. MESSAGE**

##### **V. OCCASION AND PURPOSE**

##### **VI. OUTLINE**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **EZEKIEL'S COMMISSION**

**(Ezekiel 1:1 - 3:27)**

#### **THE VISION OF GOD'S GLORY**

**(Ezekiel 1:1-28)**

##### **I. THE SETTING OF THE VISION (1:1-3)**

1. Date
2. Place
3. Recipient
4. Circumstances

##### **II. THE DESCRIPTION OF THE VISION (1:4-28)**

1. The living beings (**v.4-14**)
2. The wheels (**v.15-21**)
3. The expanse (**v.22-28**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **EZEKIEL'S COMMISSIONING**

**(Ezekiel 2:1 - 3:27)**

##### **I. THE MESSENGER (2:1 - 3:15)**

1. His title (**2:1-4**)
2. His authority (**2:6-7**)
3. His dependence upon God (**2:8 - 3:3**)
4. His faithfulness (**3:4-11**)
  - a) To his own people (**v.5**)
  - b) To the message (**v.10**)
  - c) In the face of opposition
  - d) In the light of people's suffering (**v.12**)

##### **II. THE WATCHMAN (3:14-27)**

1. To the wicked (**v.16-21**)
2. To the faithful (**v.16-21**)
3. His muteness (**v.22-27**)

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 4**

## **SOUND THE ALARM**

**(Ezekiel 4:1 - 7:27)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. THE SIEGE OF JERUSALEM (4:1 - 5:17)**

1. Build a model of Jerusalem (**4:1-3**)
2. A bed of woe (**4:4-8**)
3. Famine (**4:9-17**)
4. Sword of the Lord (**5:1-17**)

#### **II. THE DAY OF THE LORD (6:1 - 7:27)**

1. Syncretism
  - a) Curse of apostate religion (**6:1-14**)
  - b) Nature of apostasy
  - c) God's assessment
  - d) Penalty
2. God's wrath
  - a) Personal
  - b) Not capricious
  - c) Related to covenant
  - d) Not partial
3. Spiritual amnesia
  - a) Arrogant heart
  - b) Self-confidence
  - c) Wealth
  - d) Delay



## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **REVELATIONS OF THE TEMPLE**

**(Ezekiel 8:1 - 9:11)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. ABOMINATIONS IN THE TEMPLE (8:1-18)**

1. The image of jealousy (**v.1-6**)
2. The idolatry of art (**v.7-13**)
3. The worship of Tamuz (**v.14-15**)
4. The worship of the sun (**v.16-18**)

##### **II. THE EXECUTIONERS (9:1-11)**

1. The executioners are to have no pity
2. Begin with leaders
3. Remnant to be saved
4. Ezekiel's concern

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **ICHABOD**

**(Ezekiel 10:1 - 11:25)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. COALS OF FIRE ON JERUSALEM (10:1-7)**

**II. CHERUBIM AND ICHABOD (10:8-22)**

**III. JUDGEMENT ON JERUSALEM'S LEADERS (11:1-13)**

1. They had disobeyed
2. They had become worldly

**IV. GOD'S NEW WORK (11:14-25)**

**V. LESSONS**

1. Christian concern is recorded
2. Christian prayer and intercession effective
3. Christian response welcomed
4. Be careful of nominalism

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **PREACHERS WITH NOTHING TO SAY**

**(Ezekiel 12:1 - 14:23)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE KING (12:1-20)**

1. The king (**v.1-16**)
2. The place (**v.17-20**)

##### **II. THE PROBLEM OF THE PREACHERS (13:1-23)**

1. Never rose higher than their own minds
2. Deceived their hearers
3. No practical or useful effect
4. Offered cheap grace and false peace
5. Endorsed latest worldview
6. Results

##### **III. THE ELDERS (14:1-23)**

1. Idolatrous enquirers (**v.1-11**)
2. Judgement (**v.12-23**)

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **A VINE, PROSTITUTE AND TWO EAGLES**

**(Ezekiel 15:1 - 17:24)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. VINE (useless is fruitless) (15:1-8)**

1. Pruning
2. Abiding

##### **II. UNFAITHFUL WIFE (favoured but faithless) (16:1-63)**

1. Past
2. Present
3. Future

##### **III. EAGLES AND VINE (17:1-24)**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 9**

#### **I AM, YOURS SINCERELY**

**(Ezekiel 18:1 - 19:14)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE PRINCIPLE OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY ILLUSTRATED (18:1-23)**

1. The case for individual responsibility
2. The ultimate penalty for sin is death
3. Sin is a state of condemnation
4. There is a way to avoid condemnation

##### **II. AN INSIGHT INTO THE HEART OF GOD (18:24-30)**

1. God's desire
2. God's sovereignty
3. God's command

##### **III. A FUNERAL SONG (19:1-14)**

1. A lioness and her whelps (**v.1-9**)
2. A vine and its branches (**v.10-14**)

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 10**

#### **DUMB IDOLS**

**(Ezekiel 20:1-44)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. ISRAEL'S DISOBEDIENCE IN EGYPT (v.5-8)**

##### **II. ISRAEL'S DISOBEDIENCE IN THE WILDERNESS (v.10-26)**

1. Child sacrifice

2. Ritual sex

##### **III. REBELLION OF ISRAEL IN THE PROMISED LAND (v.27-29)**

##### **IV. THE FUTURE (v.30-44)**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 11**

#### **A PORTRAIT OF DECAY**

**(Ezekiel 21:1 - 22:31)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. ROOTS OF DECAY**

1. Violence
2. Idolatry

##### **II. MARKS OF DECAY**

1. Wrongful use of power for selfish ends
2. Breakdown of parental authority
3. Oppressed the alien and fatherless
4. Failure to distinguish between secular/spiritual
5. Character of assassination
6. All limits on sexual activity disappeared
7. Criminal contracts to kill
8. Ruthless exploitation
9. Forgotten the Lord

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 12**

#### **THE TALE OF TWO CITIES**

**(Ezekiel 23:1-49)**

#### **INTRODUCTION** (v.1-4)

##### **I. OHOLAH'S STORY** (v.5-10)

1. Reap what you sow
2. Sin always reaps its reward
3. Take heed lest ye fall

##### **II. OHOLIBAH'S STORY** (v.11-21)

##### **III. YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN ME** (v.22-35)

##### **IV. THE CONSEQUENCES** (v.36-49)

1. Unfaithfulness
2. Idolatry
3. Vulgarly

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 13**

#### **SOMETHING'S BURNING!**

**(Ezekiel 24:1-27)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE COOKING POT (v.1-14)**

1. Reasons for destruction
  - a) Identified all professing believers as the true people of God
  - b) Error of presumption
  - c) Antinomianism
  - d) Wilfulness
2. The Lord's judgement
  - a) Definite
  - b) Imminent
  - c) Irrevocable
  - d) Fair

##### **II. SUBMITTING A SORROWFUL HEART (v.15-27)**

1. What an obedient man
2. Death can come suddenly
3. His love for his wife
4. Part played by suffering
  - a) Sanctified character
  - b) Helps others

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 14**

#### **HOW THE MIGHTY HAVE FALLEN**

**(Ezekiel 25:1 - 28:26)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE CORRUPTING INFLUENCES OF GODLESS NEIGHBOURS**

1. Ammon (**25:1-7**)
2. Moab (**25:8-11**)
3. Edom (**25:12-14**)
4. Philistia (**25:15-17**)
5. Tyre (**26:1 - 28:19**)
  - a) A bare rock (reasons for her fall) (**26:1-21**)
    - (i) Tyre's dependence on physical resources
    - (ii) Tyre put her trust in her leaders
    - (iii) Tyre was materialistic
    - (iv) Tyre was fond of the good life
  - b) A funeral dirge (**27:1-36**)
  - c) Falling from shame and fortune (**28:1-19**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 15**

#### **EGYPT**

**(Ezekiel 29:1 - 32:32)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. I AM AGAINST YOU (29:1-16)**
  
- II. THE LORD OF HISTORY (29:17-21)**
  
- III. TROUBLE IN NORTH AFRICA (30:1-19)**
  - 1. Day of darkness
  - 2. Day is imminent
  - 3. Day of judgement
  - 4. No-one can escape
  
- IV. PHARAOH'S BROKEN ARM (30:20-26)**
  
- V. A FALLING TREE (31:1-18)**
  
- VI. WEEPING AND WAILING (32:1-32)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 16**

#### **WATCHMEN AND SHEPHERDS**

**(Ezekiel 33:1 - 34:31)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE WATCHMAN (33:1-33)**

1. The task (**v.1-20**)
2. The Fall of Jerusalem (**v.21-33**)

##### **II. THE SHEPHERD (34:1-31)**

1. The failure of the shepherds (**v.1-10**)
  - a) Self-interest
  - b) Love of ease
  - c) Heartlessness
2. The Good Shepherd (**v.11-16**)
  - a) Nurse
  - b) Rescuer
  - c) Protector
  - d) Provider
  - e) Guide
3. Bad sheep in the flock (**v.17-22**)
4. The Messianic Shepherd (**v.23-24**)
5. Covenant of peace (**v.25-31**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 17**

#### **CONTRASTS**

**(Ezekiel 35:1 - 36:38)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE EDMITES (35:1-15)**

1. Their treachery
2. Their expansionist policies
3. Their blasphemous boasting
  - a) Irreverence
  - b) Bad language
  - c) God heard it
  - d) Man's arrogance is short-lived

##### **II. ISRAEL (36:1-38)**

1. God's people are to experience His favour
2. God is going to vindicate His own Name
3. God is going to establish a new Covenant
  - a) Going to renew the hearts
  - b) It is a cleansing process
  - c) Results in Holy Spirit indwelling
  - d) Desire for holiness
  - e) Establish a new Covenant
  - f) In terms of Eden restoration
  - g) In terms of people in-gathering
  - h) For which we pray

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 18**

## **VALLEY OF DRY BONES**

**(Ezekiel 37:1-28)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. THE VALLEY**

1. Picture of world today
2. Picture of spiritual conditions
3. Picture of Resurrection

#### **II. CAN THESE BONES LIVE AGAIN?**

1. Man of God
  - a) Vision of God
  - b) Faced situation
  - c) Hand of God
2. Word of God
3. Spirit of God
4. Prayer

#### **III. RESULTS**

1. New life
2. New unity
3. New purity
4. New God-consciousness

### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 19**

#### **THE LAST BATTLE**

**(Ezekiel 38:1 - 39:29)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. DESCRIPTION OF GOG**

1. His name and origin
1. His war-like nature
2. The time of the battle
3. The extent of the battle
4. The size of the invading army
5. God's intervention on behalf of His people
6. The vindication of God's Name

##### **II. LESSONS**

1. God is in control
1. A period of tribulation foretold
2. God will be glorified
3. The scale of opposition is huge

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Ezekiel**  
**STUDY 20**  
**THE COMING GLORY**  
**(Ezekiel 40:1 - 43:27)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- I. **A VISIT FROM AN ANGEL** (40:1-4)
- II. **THE OUTER COURT'S THREE GATES** (40:5-16, 20-27)
- III. **THE OUTER COURTYARD** (40:17-19)
- IV. **THE INNER COURT** (40:28-47)
- V. **THE TEMPLE** (40:48 - 41:26)
  - 1. Perfection
  - 2. Purpose
  - 3. Beauty
  - 4. Symbolism
- VI. **PRIEST'S ROOMS IN THE OUTER COURTYARD** (42:1-14)
- VII. **RETURN OF GOD'S GLORY** (43:1-12)
- VIII. **THE ALTAR** (43:13-27)
  - 1. Steps
  - 2. Sprinkling blood
  - 3. Burning outside the sanctuary
  - 4. Use of salt
  - 5. Peace offerings

**CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Ezekiel**

### **STUDY 21**

#### **THREE ESSENTIALS**

**(Ezekiel 44:1 - 48:35)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. PRIESTS (44:1-31)**

1. The prince (**v.1-3**)
2. The foreigners (**v.4-9**)
3. The Levites (**v.10-14**)
4. The Zadokites (**v.15-27**)
  - a) Clothes
  - b) Regulations

##### **II. OFFERINGS (45:1 - 46:24)**

1. Allocation of land (**45:1-8**)
2. Justice (**45:9-12**)
3. Offerings and holy days (**45:13-25**)
4. The role of the prince in worship (**46:1-18**)
5. Cooking of sacrificial meals (**46:19-27**)

##### **III. RIVER OF LIFE (47:1 - 48:35)**

1. River of life (**47:1-12**)
2. Land division (**47:13-23**)
3. North tribes (**48:1-7**)
4. City of God (**48:8-35**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE MAN DANIEL**

##### **I. BACKGROUND**

1. Born in the time of King Josiah
2. Influence of the prophet Jeremiah
3. Nebuchadnezzar's practice

##### **II. DANIEL'S CHARACTER**

1. Blameless
2. Faithful
3. Moral courage
  - a) Not eating consecrated food
  - b) Braved the wrath of an enraged eastern despot
  - c) In the lion's den
4. Prayer
  - a) Believed in united prayer
  - b) Full of worship and thanksgiving
  - c) Had fixed times for prayer each day
  - d) Perseverance

##### **III. DANIEL'S INFLUENCE**

1. Nebuchadnezzar
2. Meshach, Shadrach and Abednego
3. Belshazzar
4. God glorified

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **CHANGE OF NAME (TOTAL DEDICATION)**

**(Daniel 1:1-8)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. THE PLIGHT (v.1-2)**

**II. THE PRIVILEGE (v.3-4)**

**III. THE PROBLEM (v.5)**

**IV. THE PERSISTENCE (v.6-8)**

1. Daniel (God is my Judge)  
Belteshazzar (keeper of the hidden treasure)
2. Hananiah (gift of the Lord)  
Shadrach (the inspiration of the sun)
3. Mishaël (He that is a strong God)  
Meshach (goddess of Shaca)
4. Azariah (the keep of the Lord)  
Abednego (servant of the shining fire)

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 3**

## **THE REWARD FOR CONSECRATION**

**(Daniel 1:9-21)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. THE PROTECTION (v.9-10)**

1. People
2. God Himself protects us

#### **II. THE PROPOSITION (V.11-14)**

1. There were only four men
2. God-honouring way of life
3. Man does not live by bread alone
4. Reveals challenge to the unconverted

#### **III. THE PRE-EMINENCE (v.15-21)**

1. The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom
2. Today we gain that wisdom from the Word
3. At our conversion we see and understand

### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **BABYLON'S BANKRUPTCY**

**(Daniel 2:1-23)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE DISTURBANCE (v.1-3)**

1. The unconverted are pitiful figures
2. Look where he went for help
3. See the hand of God at work

##### **II. THE DEFICIENCY (v.4-11)**

1. Picture of our world today
2. Help outside of God will always fail
3. What a golden opportunity for the church

##### **III. THE DECREE (v.12-16)**

##### **IV. THE DEPENDENCE (v.17-23)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **DANIEL INTERPRETS THE DREAM**

**(Daniel 2:24-49)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE DECLARATION (v.24-30)**

1. Courage
2. Compassion
3. Zeal
4. Humility

##### **II. THE DREAM (v.31-45)**

1. The future foretold
2. Lessons

##### **III. THE DEFERENCE (v.46-49)**

1. The tragedy of Nebuchadnezzar's confession
2. The affection of Daniel for the saints
3. God honours the saints who are consecrated

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S PRIDE AND FOLLY**

**(Daniel 3:1-15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE CEREMONY (v.1-3)**

1. Curse of pride
2. Deify man
3. Establish one-world religion

##### **II. THE COMMAND (v.4-7)**

1. The characteristics of false religion
2. The characteristics of a believer's world

##### **III. THE CONSPIRACY (v.8-12)**

1. A true believer is different from the world
2. A call to total commitment

##### **IV. THE COERCION (v.13-15)**

1. The temptation to compromise never gives up
2. Stand fast in the Lord
3. Put on the whole armour of God

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 7**

## **THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE**

**(Daniel 3:16-30)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. THEIR COURAGE (v.16-18)**

1. The excuses
2. Confidence in God

#### **II. CONDEMNATION (v.19-27)**

1. The faithfulness of God
2. The fourth person who stood with them
3. Foretaste of hell

#### **III. THE CONFESSION (v.28-30)**

1. The tragedy of a confession from the lips, but not from the heart
2. Impact of their lives upon this pagan king

### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **THOU ART THE MAN**

**(Daniel 4:1-26)**

#### **I. IMPENITENCE OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR (v.1-3)**

1. Pride of the natural man
2. He had a form of godliness

#### **II. THE INCOMPETENCE (v.4-7)**

#### **III. THE IMAGE (DREAM) (v.8-18)**

#### **IV. THE INTERPRETATION (v.19-26)**

1. Compassion
2. Courage of Daniel

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 9**

## **THE HUMAN BEAST**

**(Daniel 4:27-37)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. IMPORTUNITY (v.27)**

1. Renounce your sins
2. Be kind to the oppressed

#### **II. THE IRRATIONALITY (v.28-33)**

#### **III. THE INTIMACY (v.34-37)**

### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 10**

#### **WEIGHED IN THE BALANCES**

**(Daniel 5:1-31)**

##### **I. THE SACRILEGE (v.1-4)**

1. Depravity of the human heart
2. How he lived in the midst of collapse

##### **II. THE SHOCK (v.5-6)**

##### **III. THE SUMMONS (v.7-9)**

##### **IV. THE SOLUTION (v.10-17)**

1. He gave him solace and love
2. Directs him to the person who can help
3. Lessons - see how close he lived to God
  - a) Wonderful knowledge
  - b) Wonderful heart
  - c) Zealous for God's glory
  - d) No praises of men

##### **V. SERMON (v.18-25)**

1. Did not speak as he did to Nebuchadnezzar
2. Reminded him of the future of Nebuchadnezzar
3. Applied it personally

##### **VI. SIGNIFICANCE (v.26-31)**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 11**

#### **THE LION'S DEN**

**(Daniel 6:1-28)**

**I. THE ADVANCEMENT OF DANIEL (v.1-3)**

**II. HIS ADVERSARIES (v.4-9)**

1. Conduct
2. Religion

**III. HIS ATTITUDE (v.10)**

1. His house was a house of prayer
2. Three times a day
3. God down on his knees
4. His windows were open

**IV. THE ACCUSATION (v.11-13)**

**V. THE ANXIETY (v.14-20)**

**VI. THE ASSURANCE (v.21-24)**

**VII. THE ANNOUNCEMENT (v.25-28)**

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 12**

#### **THE THRONE IN HEAVEN**

**(Daniel 7:1 - 8:27)**

#### **I. DANIEL'S VISION OF THE WORLD (7:1-8)**

1. Circumstances of this vision
2. The vision itself
  - a) The four winds churning up the great sea
  - b) Four beasts coming out of the sea

#### **II. THE THRONE OF HEAVEN (7:9-14)**

1. The One on the throne
2. Marks of this throne
  - a) Judgement
  - b) Grace (**v.13-14**)

#### **III. THE VISION (8:1-14)**

#### **IV. THE INTERPRETATION (8:15-27)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Daniel**  
**STUDY 13**  
**DANIEL IN PRAYER**  
**(Daniel 9:1-27)**

**I.     THE EXAMINATION (v.1-3)**

**II.    THE EFFECT (v.1-3)**

**III.   THE EXAMPLE (v.4-20)**

1.     His humble address to God (**v.4**)
  - a)     “My God”
  - b)     As a God to be feared
  - c)     As a God to be trusted
2.     Penitent confession of sin (**v.5-6**)
  - a)     “We have turned away from Your commands and laws”
  - b)     “We have not listened to your servants who spoke in Your Name”
3.     Acknowledges the righteousness of God (**v.7-8**)
4.     Appeals to the mercy of God (**v.9**)
5.     His pathetic complaint (**v.11-15**)
  - a)     God’s people were despised
  - b)     God’s holy place desolate
6.     His special request (**v.16-19**)
  - a)     That God would turn away His wrath from them
  - b)     For the Lord’s face to shine upon the sanctuary

**IV.   ENCOURAGEMENT (v.20-27)**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 14**

#### **THE MAN GREATLY BELOVED**

**(Daniel 10:1-21)**

##### **I. THE CONTEXT (v.1-7)**

1. Time (**v.1**)
2. His position (**v.2-3**)
3. His glorious vision (**v.4-7**)

##### **II. CHOICE TITLE**

1. God gave him early piety
2. Non-conformity to the world
3. Courageous trust in God
  - a) Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's dream
  - b) Belshazzar's feast
4. Firmness under trial
5. Continuous devotion

##### **III. COMMON INFIRMITY**

1. His vision of God and a sense of his own unworthiness
2. Vision he had seen of the future

##### **III. THE CONSOLATIONS**

3. Peace be unto you
4. Be strong

##### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 15**

#### **KNOWING GOD**

**(Daniel 11:1-32)**

#### **BACKGROUND (v.1-36 . . . . P.T.O)**

#### **I. THIS IS A SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE**

1. Saving knowledge
  - a) By nature
  - b) We are converted
2. Satisfying knowledge
  - a) God is now our Father
  - b) Jesus is my “brother”
  - c) Holy Spirit is my Comforter
3. Sanctifying knowledge

#### **II. THE INFLUENCE OF THIS KNOWLEDGE**

1. Be strong
2. Great boldness for God
3. Teach others

#### **III. HOW IS THIS KNOWLEDGE OBTAINED?**

1. Search the Scriptures
2. Use good aids to help you
3. Attend a teaching ministry
4. Much in prayer



## **Studies in Daniel**

### **STUDY 16**

#### **THE TIME OF THE END**

**(Daniel 12:1-13)**

##### **I. TRIBULATION (v.1)**

##### **II. TRIUMPH (v.2)**

##### **III. TEACHERS (v.3-4)**

1. "They will shine like the brightness of the heavens"
2. "Those who lead many to righteousness"

##### **IV. TERMINUS (v.4-13)**

1. "But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words . . . "
2. "But go thy way till the end be . . . "
  - a) Go to the end
  - b) Assurance

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE PROPHET'S STORY**

**(Hosea 1:1 - 2:1)**

##### **I. HIS NAME**

##### **II. HIS AUTHORITY AND COMMISSION**

##### **III. HIS TIMES**

##### **IV. HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **RESTORATION**

**(Hosea 2:1-23)**

#### **I. THE FAITHLESS NATION (v.2-5)**

#### **II. HUMILIATION AND PUNISHMENT (v.6-13)**

1. Stopped religious celebrations
2. Take away the support of their carnal joy

#### **III. RESTORATION (v.14-23)**

1. Renewing of marriage
2. Seven marks of this new marriage
  - a) Permanence
  - b) Righteousness
  - c) Justice
  - d) Steadfast love
  - e) Mercy
  - f) Faithfulness
  - g) Communion

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **HOW TO RESTORE A BROKEN MARRIAGE**

**(Hosea 3:1-5)**

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### **I. LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

1. Go
2. Show
  - a) Again
  - b) Though she is loved by another
  - c) And is an adulteress
  - d) Love her as the Lord loves
    - (i) Despite their blatant unfaithfulness
    - (ii) Despite her brutish scale of values

##### **II. HOSEA'S RESPONSE**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 4 & 5**

#### **GOD'S ACCUSATION**

**(Hosea 4:1-19)**

#### **I. WITH THE NATION AS A WHOLE (v.1-3)**

1. No honesty in daily life
  - a) At home
  - b) At work
  - c) At school
2. No love in personal relationships
  - a) Negative
  - b) Positive
3. No knowledge of God
  - a) No knowledge of His Word
  - b) Experimental knowledge of God

#### **II. WITH THE PRIESTS (v.4-8)**

#### **III. RESULTS (v.9-10)**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **THE REUNION GOD WANTS**

**(Hosea 5:1 - 6:3)**

##### **I. WHAT THEY HAD DONE (5:1-14)**

1. They subtly drew people into sin
2. Crafty and cruel in carrying out their plans
3. Defiled their own bodies with fleshly lusts and defiled their souls with idol worship

##### **II. THE REUNION GOD LONGS FOR (5:15-6:3)**

1. The experiences they had of His displeasure
2. The expectation they had of His favour

#### **RESULT**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **WHY CONVERSION DOES NOT WORK FOR ALL**

**(Hosea 6:4 - 7:16)**

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### **I. NO REPENTANCE**

1. Intellectual element
2. Emotional element
3. Volitional element

##### **II. NO PIETY**

1. Mercy
2. Acknowledgement of God

##### **III. COMPROMISE**

##### **IV. RESULTS**

1. The corruption at court (**7:3-7**)
2. Nation of unteachables (**7:8-16**)

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **THE RESULTS OF COUNTERFEIT CONVERSIONS**

**(Hosea 8:1-14)**

**I. PUPPET KINGS AND PUPPET GODS (v.4-6)**

**II. DESPERATE DIPLOMACY (v.7-10)**

**III. VALUELESS / USELESS RELIGION (v.11-13)**

**IV. MISPLACED TRUST (v.14)**

**CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 9**

#### **THE END FOR COUNTERFEIT CONVERSIONS**

**(Hosea 9:1-7)**

- I. **DEATH OF JOY** (v.1-2)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **EXILE FROM THE LAND** (v.3-6)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **LOSS OF SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT** (v.7-9)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- IV. **THE GLORY DEPARTS** (v.10-14)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- V. **DISINHERITED** (v.15-17)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 10**

#### **A DIVIDED HEART**

**(Hosea 10:1-15)**

#### **I. THE FAILURE**

1. As a church
2. Us as individuals

#### **II. THE RESULTS OF THIS FAILURE**

#### **III. THE CAUSES OF THIS FAILURE**

#### **IV. THE CURE (v.12-15)**

1. Break up your unploughed ground
2. Sow for yourselves righteousness
  - a) Piety towards God
  - b) Love towards others
3. Seek the Lord
  - a) It is time
  - b) He showers righteousness on you
  - c) Planted wickedness . . . you reaped evil

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 11**

#### **THE COMPASSION OF GOD**

**(Hosea 11:1-12)**

#### **I. NATURE OF HIS LOVE**

1. As a father
2. As a husband
3. As a farmer/herdsman

#### **II. THE RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE**

1. They went from Me (**v.2**)
2. Sacrificed to the Baals and they burned incense to images
3. They did not realise it was I who healed them
4. Bent on backsliding
  - a) They backslide
  - b) From Me
  - c) Bent
5. Refuse to repent (**v.5**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 12**

#### **LOOK BACK AND LEARN**

**(Hosea 12:1 - 13:16)**

**I. JACOB'S DEVOTION AND STRENGTH (11:12 - 12:6)**

**II. LOOK AT WHAT JACOB BECAME (12:7-14)**

**III. OF HOW THE MIGHTY CAN FALL (13:1-7)**

**IV. HOW GOD DISCIPLINES HIS CHILDREN (13:4-8)**

**V. NO HELP FOR APOSTATES (13:9-14)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Hosea**

### **STUDY 13**

#### **THE CURE FOR BACKSLIDING**

**(Hosea 14:1-9)**

##### **I. A KIND INVITATION**

1. What is required?
2. To whom must we return?
3. What caused the break?

##### **II. TRUE REPENTANCE IS REQUIRED: COST (v.2-3)**

1. Forgive all our sins
2. Receive us graciously
3. Results
  - a) Thank-offering
  - b) Amendment of life (**v.3**)

##### **III. RECONCILIATION: THE CAUSE**

1. Heal their backsliding (waywardness)
2. Love them freely
3. My anger has turned away from them

##### **IV. REVIVED: THE RESULT (v.5-9)**

## **Studies in Joel**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **TIME TO SEEK THE LORD**

**(Joel 1:1-20)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. TIME TO SEEK THE LORD (v.1-3)**

**II. BLESSING THROUGH CRISIS (v.4-7)**

**III. SEEKING THE LORD (v.8-14)**

1. A word to all leaders (**v.8-10**)
2. A word to commercial leaders (**v.11-12**)
3. A word to spiritual leaders (**v.13-14**)

**IV. DAY OF THE LORD (v.15-20)**

1. Fore-shadowing (**V.15**)
2. Crisis get Os to see (**v.16-20**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Joel**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **GETTING CLOSE TO THE LORD**

**(Joel 2:1-17)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. GETTING READY FOR GOD'S INTERVENTION (v.1-12)**

1. God's people are called to be ready for the Lord's intervention at any moment (**v.1**)
2. In the day of the Lord there is judgement and salvation (**v.2-11**)
3. The only way of escape (**v.12**)

##### **II. GETTING CLOSE TO THE LORD (v.12-17)**

1. They are to get close to God Himself (**v.12**)
2. They are to take time over this (**v.12**)
3. They are to face the fact of their sins (**v.12**)
4. Joel asks for reality, not ceremony (**v.13**)
5. They are to trust in God's mercy (**v.13**)
6. They are to look to God to turn away judgement (**v.14**)
7. The whole community must turn to the Lord (**v.15-16**)
8. Joel tells them what to pray (**v.17**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Joel**

### **STUDY 3**

## **THE BLESSINGS OF SPIRITUAL RESTORATION**

**(Joel 2:18-27)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. THE BLESSINGS OF RESTORATION (v.18-20)**

1. Prayers answered
2. Satisfied desires
3. Removes their reproach
4. Destroys their enemies

#### **II. THE RESPONSE TO RESTORATION (v.21-23)**

1. Those addressed
2. Rain/Teacher of righteousness

#### **III. THE CLIMAX OF RESTORATION (v.24-27)**

1. Satisfy yourself with His blessings
2. Praise the Name of the Lord
3. Have intimate knowledge of the Lord
4. Never be ashamed again

### **CONCLUSION**



**Studies in Joel**

**STUDY 4**

**THE BLESSINGS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**(Joel 2:28-32)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- I. **THE SPIRIT OF GOD: A PRESENT ADVENT** (v.28-29)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **THE SEVERITY OF GOD: A POSTPONED APOCALYPSE** (v.30-31)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **THE SALVATION OF GOD: A PERMANENT ASSURANCE** (v.32)

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Joel**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **THE VALLEY OF DECISION**

**(Joel 3:1-21)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE SETTING OF THE LORD'S GREAT DAY OF JUDGEMENT (v.1-8)**

##### **II. THE SUMMONS OF THE LORD'S GREAT DAY OF JUDGEMENT (v.9-17)**

1. The call to the nations (**v.9-11**)
2. The Lord calls for the ingathering (**v.12-13**)
3. The universal scope (**v.14-16**)
4. Salvation will come (**v.16-17**)

##### **III. THE AFTERMATH OF THE LORD'S GREAT DAY OF JUDGEMENT (v.18-21)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE FARMER OF TEKOA**

**(Amos 1:1-2)**

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### **I. THE AUTHOR**

1. Name
2. From Tekoa
3. Shepherd
  - a) Reveals a deep knowledge of history and surrounding nations
  - b) Reveals a deep knowledge of the Pentateuch

##### **II. THE TIMES IN WHICH HE PROPHESED**

1. Abundant wealth
2. Material prosperity

##### **III. HIS MESSAGE**

#### **LESSONS**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE ROAR OF THE LION**

**(Amos 1:3 - 2:3)**

- I. **PEOPLE ARE NOT THINGS** (1:3-5)
  
- II. **PRIORITY OF HUMAN WELFARE OVER COMMERCIAL PROFIT** (1:6-8)
  
- III. **BROKEN PROMISES** (1:9-10)
  
- IV. **THE INADMISSABILITY OF HATRED** (1:11-12)
  
- V. **LIMITATION OF PERSONAL AMBITION BY THE RIGHTS OF THE HELPLESS**  
(1:13-15)
  
- VI. **VENGEANCE** (2:1-3)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON HIS PEOPLE / THE PERIL OF UNIQUENESS**

**(Amos 2:4 - 3:2)**

##### **I. GOD'S PEOPLE HAVE DESPISED HIS TRUTH (2:4-5)**

1. Law of God . . . and their lies
2. Truth . . . and lies
3. Rejection and cultivation of truth

##### **II. GOD'S PEOPLE HAD CONTRADICTED HIS SALVATION (2:6-12)**

1. Sins against others
  - a) Covetousness
  - b) Indifference and oppression
  - c) Self-importance
2. Sins against revelation
3. Sinning against grace (**v.9-11**)

##### **III. GOD'S PEOPLE HAVE FORFEITED HIS FAVOUR (2:13-16)**

##### **IV. THEY HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD GOD'S LOVE (3:1-2)**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **GOD ASKS FIVE QUESTIONS**

**(Amos 3:3-16)**

**I. DESPISED HIS TRUTH**

**II. CONTRADICTED HIS SALVATION**

**III. FORFEITED HIS FAVOUR (v.13-16)**

**IV. THEY MISUNDERSTOOD GOD'S LOVE (v.1-2)**

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 4 & 5**

**(Amos 3:4-16)**

- I. **WHO CAN WALK TOGETHER?** (v.3)
  
- II. **DOES A LION ROAR WHEN THERE IS NO PREY?** (v.4)
  
- III. **DOES HE GROWL WHEN HE HAS CAUGHT NOTHING?** (v.4)
  
- IV. **DOES A BIRD FALL INTO A TRAP WHEN NO SNARE IS SET?** (v.5)
  
- V. **WHEN DOES THE TRUMPET SOUND?** (v.6-8)
  
- VI. **MARKS OF A DEAD CHURCH**
  1. Social relationships (v.9-11)
  2. Personal spirituality (v.12)
  3. Religious compromise (v.13-15)

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **THE REASONS FOR A DEAD CHURCH**

**(Amos 3:9-15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. **SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS** (v.9-11)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **PERSONAL SPIRITUALITY** (v.12)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **RELIGIOUS COMPROMISE** (v.13-15)

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **RICHES AND RELIGION**

**(Amos 4:1-12)**

##### **I. GOD SPEAKS TO THIS SOCIETY (v.1-3)**

1. Status (v.1)
2. Bodily comfort (v.2)
3. Security (v.3)

##### **II. THEIR RELIGION (v.4-5)**

1. Their pilgrimages
2. Their privileges
3. Their duties
4. Religious joys
5. Religious devotion

##### **III. GOD'S WARNINGS (v.6-11)**

1. Famine (v.6)
2. Drought (v.7)
3. Failure of crops (v.9)
4. Plague (v.10)
5. Earthquake (v.11)

##### **IV. GOD'S CLOSING APPEAL (v.12-13)**

1. Omnipotence of complete power
2. Omnipotence of transforming power
3. Down to earth

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **A RELIGION WITHOUT GOD / THE LIVING DEAD**

**(Amos 5:1-6)**

#### **I. THE LAMENTATION (v.1-2)**

1. Speaks of death where there should have been life
2. Abandonment where there should have been companionship
3. Dispossession where there should have been inheritance

#### **II. APPLICATION (v.3)**

#### **III. EXPLANATION / REMEDY**

1. Negative
  - a) Do not go to Gilgal
  - b) Do not go to Beersheba
2. Positive

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **GOD MAKES THE DIFFERENCE**

**(Amos 5:8-13)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. **HE LOVES THE VOICE OF GOD'S LAW** (v.10)
- II. **SELF-SUBMISSION WITHIN THE FELLOWSHIP OF GOD'S PEOPLE** (v.11)
- III. **NEW CONCERN TO HAVE HIS APPROVAL** (v.12)
- IV. **MORAL INTEGRITY** (v.12)
- V. **SOCIAL CONCERN FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS** (v.13)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 9**

#### **UNREADY AND UNAWARE**

**(Amos 5:16-27)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

I. **DESPAIR** (v.16-17)

II. **DOOM** (v.18-19)

III. **DARKNESS** (v.20)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 10**

#### **SPIRITUAL COMPLACENCY**

**(Amos 6:1-14)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. **COMPLACENT IN ZION** (v.1)
  
- II. **FEEL SECURE ON MOUNT SAMARIA** (v.1)
  
- III. **YOUR NOTABLE MEN OF THE FOREMOST NATION** (v.2-3)
  
- IV. **REASONS** (v.4-14)

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Amos**  
**STUDY 11**

**LOCUSTS, FIRE, PLUMB-LINE**  
**(Amos 7:1-17)**

**I. LOCUSTS (v.1-3)**

1. Amos prayed
  - a) Sovereign Lord
  - b) Forgive
2. Results

**II. FIRE (v.6)**

**III. PLUMB-LINE (v.7-8)**

**IV. OPPOSITION BY AMASIAH (v.9-13)**

1. False picture of Amos (**v.10-11**)
2. Amos preaching just to get a living (**v.12**)
3. Threatened Amos (**v.13**)

**V. AMOS REPLIES (v.14-17)**

1. Told him what he was (**v.14**)
2. What God told him to do (**v.15-16**)
3. Applies word to Amasiah (**v.17**)
  - a) Wife
  - b) Children
  - c) Land
  - d) You yourself

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 12**

#### **THE DAY OF THE CULTS**

**(Amos 8:1-14)**

##### **I. THE VISION OF GOD'S JUDGEMENT (v.1)**

##### **II. TWO REASONS FOR GOD'S JUDGEMENT (v.4-7)**

1. Materialistic spirit
  - a) Social injustice
  - b) "Profit at any cost" attitude
2. Loved gain more than they loved God (**v.5a**)
3. Loved gain more than they loved honesty (**v.5b**)
4. Loved gain for self more than for others (**v.6**)

##### **III. THE WAY GOD'S JUDGEMENT WOULD COME (v.8-14)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Amos**

### **STUDY 13**

#### **WAR ON PRETENCE**

**(Amos 9:1-15)**

#### **I. NO PLACE TO HIDE**

1. No supernatural refuge (**v.2**)
2. No natural refuge (**v.3**)
3. No political refuge (**v.4**)

#### **II. LESSONS**

1. War on pretence
2. War on counterfeit
3. Are you converted?

#### **III. FIVE GREAT BLESSINGS**

1. Rebuilding of the nation
2. Victory over enemies
3. The fruitfulness of the land
4. Work not in vain
5. A lasting inheritance

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Obadiah**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **PRIDE COMES BEFORE THE FALL**

**(Obadiah 1-21)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Author and date
2. Edom and Judah

#### **I. THE CERTAINTY OF JUDGEMENT (v.1-9)**

#### **II. THE CAUSES OF JUDGEMENT (v.10-14)**

#### **III. THE COMPLETION OF JUDGEMENT (v.15-21)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Jonah**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE COMMISSION OF JONAH**

**(Jonah 1:1-2)**

#### **I. INTRODUCTION**

1. Title
2. Author
3. Background

#### **II. THE MAN GOD CALLED (v.1)**

1. Jonah means “dove”
2. Son of Amittai

#### **III. THE COMMISSION (v.2)**

1. Personal
2. Direct
3. Dynamic
4. Definite
5. Disturbing

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Jonah**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **REFUSAL OF JONAH'S COMMISSION**

**(Jonah 1:3-16)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. WHY JONAH HEADED FOR TARSHISH (v.3a)**

1. Fear
2. Religious exclusiveness
3. Personal jealousy
4. Patriotism

##### **II. RESULTS OF DISOBEDIENCE TO THE CALL (v.3b)**

1. Attractive destination
2. Provision he found
3. Immediate satisfaction

##### **III. RESULTS OF THE SEA VOYAGE (v.4-16)**

1. Life threatened by a great storm (v.4)
2. Witness was nil (v.5-8)
3. Guilt leads to despair (v.9-16)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Jonah**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE WORLD'S STRANGEST PRAYER ROOM**

**(Jonah 1:17 - 2:10)**

#### **I. GOD PROVIDED A FISH (1:17)**

#### **II. JONAH BEGINS TO PRAY AGAIN (2:1-9)**

1. When Jonah prayed (**v.1**)
2. Where Jonah prayed (**v.1**)
3. To whom Jonah prayed (**v.2-9**)
4. For what did Jonah pray? (**v.2-9**)
  - a) Jonah reflected on the earnestness of his prayer (**v.2-7**)
  - b) Jonah reflected upon his deplorable situation (**v.3, 5-6**)
    - (i) How he had been thrown into the sea
    - (ii) How he was surrounded by the deep
    - (iii) How he was held fast in the depths
  - c) The conclusion Jonah came to (**v.4, 7**)
  - d) Jonah reflected upon the favour God had shown him (**v.6-7**)
  - e) Jonah warns others to stay close to God (**v.8**)
  - f) Jonah's vow of consecration (**v.9**)
  - g) Jonah acknowledges God as Saviour (**v.9**)

#### **III. GOD DELIVERS JONAH (2:10)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Jonah**  
**STUDY 4**

**JONAH'S COMMISSION RENEWED**  
**(Jonah 3:1-10)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. JONAH'S COMMISSION RENEWED (v.1-2)**

1. God's concern for the lost in Nineveh
2. God's love for Jonah
3. Jonah's task
  - a) Same as the first one
  - b) It was a very difficult task
4. Jonah was given his message

**II. JONAH OBEYED (v.3-4)**

1. Jonah went to Nineveh
2. Jonah preached God's message

**III. THE RESULTS OF HIS OBEDIENCE (v.5-10)**

1. They believed God (**v.5a**)
2. The effects were radical (**v.5b-10**)
  - a) Fasting
  - b) Sackcloth
  - c) Touched people in high places
  - d) Led to their deliverance

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Jonah**  
**STUDY 5**

**DISAPPOINTED WITH SUCCESS**  
**(Jonah 4:1-4)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. ANGER EXPRESSED**

1. Displeased and angry
2. Honest and godly

**II. ANGER EXPLAINED (v.1-4)**

1. What it reveals
  - a) His heart was not in it
  - b) No control over himself
  - c) Little compassion for souls
  - d) Little reverence for God
2. Jonah's reasons for his grievances
  - a) His reputation as a prophet was irreparably damaged
  - b) He was offended at God's way of doing things
  - c) He felt he was of no use any more
3. God's response (**v.4**)

**III. LESSONS FOR TODAY**

1. We are complex people
2. No once-and-for-all victory
3. If God can use Jonah, He will use me

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Jonah**  
**STUDY 6**

**GOD TEACHES JONAH A LESSON**  
**(Jonah 4:4-11)**

**INTRODUCTION**

**I. GOD ACCEPTS JONAH'S PRAYER (v.4-5)**

1. Jonah's lesson
  - a) Bring everything to God
  - b) Communication with God
2. God answers Jonah (**v.4**)
  - a) God listens to Jonah's frustrations
  - b) God reveals his infinite patience
3. Jonah continues to reveal his frustrations (**v.5**)
  - a) Jonah goes out of the city
  - b) Jonah prepared to suffer because he was right

**II. GOD'S PROVISION FOR JONAH (v.6-8)**

1. The Lord provided a vine (**v.6**)
2. The Lord provided a worm (**v.7**)
3. The Lord provided a scorching east wind (**v.8**)

**III. GOD'S LESSON FOR JONAH (v.9-11)**

**CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Micah**  
**STUDY 1**

**MICAH THE MAN, HIS TIMES AND HIS MESSAGE**

**(Micah 1:1)**

**I. THE MAN**

1. The man himself
2. Occupation
3. Characterisation

**II. HIS TIMES**

1. Date
2. Political
3. Social
4. Religious

**III. HIS MESSAGE**

1. God
2. Messiah
3. Ethical teaching
4. For us today



## **Studies in Micah**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE MESSAGE ON JUDGEMENT**

**(Micah 1:2 - 2:13)**

##### **I. THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF JUDGEMENT (1:1-5)**

1. The call to witness (**v.2**)
2. The coming of the Judge (**v.3-4**)
3. The cause of judgement (**v.5**)

##### **II. THE ACCOUNT OF JUDGEMENT (1:6-16)**

1. The destruction of Samaria (**v.6-7**)
2. The lament over judgement (**v.8-9**)
3. The extent of Judah's judgement (**v.10-16**)

##### **III. THE ACTIONS RESPONSIBLE FOR JUDGEMENT (2:1-11)**

1. The record of sins (**v.1-2**)
2. The disaster of captivity (**v.3-5**)
3. The rejection of the prophet (**v.6-10**)
4. The recourse to false prophets (**v.11**)

##### **IV. THE ASSEMBLING OF ISRAEL (2:12-13)**

## **Studies in Micah**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE MESSAGE ON THE MESSIAH**

**(Micah 3:1 - 5:15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE COMING JUDGEMENT (3:1-12)**

1. The condemnation of the judicial leaders (**v.1-4**)
2. The condemnation of the false prophets (**v.5-8**)
3. The condemnation of the entire Jerusalem leadership (**v.9-12**)

##### **II. THE COMING KINGDOM (4:1 - 5:1)**

1. What will come in the latter days? (**4:1-8**)
2. The now (**4:9 - 5:1**)

##### **III. THE COMING MESSIAH (5:2-15)**

1. The birth of the Messiah (**v.2**)
2. The person of the Messiah (**v.2**)
3. The provisions of the Messiah (**v.3-15**)

## **Studies in Micah**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **THE MESSAGE OF PARDON**

**(Micah 6:1 - 7:20)**

##### **I. THE LORD'S CASE AGAINST HIS PEOPLE (6:1-5)**

1. The Lord's controversy (**v.1-2**)
2. The Lord's plea (**v.3-5**)

##### **II. ISRAEL'S RESPONSE OF WORSHIP (6:6-8)**

1. The questions about sacrifice (**v.6-7**)
2. The Lord's requirement (**v.8**)

##### **III. THE LORD'S JUDGEMENT ON WICKEDNESS (6:9-16)**

1. The judgement announced (**v.9**)
2. The cause of the judgement (**v.10-13**)
3. The character of the judgement (**v.14-15**)
4. The summary of the judgement (**v.16**)

##### **IV. MICAH'S COMPLAINT ABOUT SOCIETY (7:1-6)**

1. The absence of godly men (**v.1-4**)
2. The instability of Judah's society (**v.5-6**)

##### **V. MICAH'S CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD (7:7-17)**

##### **VI. MICAH'S PRAISE FOR GOD'S SALVATION (7:18-20)**

1. The forgiveness of God (**v.18**)
2. The compassion of God (**v.19**)
3. The faithfulness of God (**v.20**)

## **Studies in Nahum**

### **STUDY 1**

## **THE JUSTICE AND MERCY OF GOD**

**(Nahum 1:1-8)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

1. General
2. Title
3. Author and date
4. Theme and message

### **I. THE VENGEANCE OF GOD**

1. Jealous
2. Vengeance
3. Slow to anger

### **II. THE JUDGEMENT OF GOD**

### **III. THE GOODNESS OF GOD**

### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Nahum**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **GOOD NEWS OF DELIVERANCE**

**(Nahum 1:9-15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. WORDS OF COMFORT (v.9-10)**

1. Come to an end (**v.9**)
2. Trouble would not come a second time
3. Consumed like dry stubble (**v.10**)

##### **II. WORDS OF WARNING (v.11-14)**

##### **III. WORDS OF HOPE (v.12-13, 15)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Nahum**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE RESTORATION OF ISRAEL**

**(Nahum 2:1-13)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. **A WARNING TO NINEVEH** (v.1)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **A COMFORT TO JUDAH** (v.2)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **THE DESTRUCTION OF NINEVEH** (v.3-13)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Nahum**

### **STUDY 4**

## **THE DESTRUCTION OF EVIL POWERS**

**(Nahum 3:1-19)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

**I. WOE IS PRONOUNCED UPON NINEVEH (v.1-3)**

**II. NINEVEH WAS A PROSTITUTE (v.4-7)**

**III. NINEVEH ALONE (v.8-19)**

### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Habakkuk**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE PERPLEXITY OF THE PROPHET**

**(Habakkuk 1:1-17)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. The man
2. The date
3. The times

#### **I. THE FIRST PROBLEM OF THE PROPHET (v.1-4)**

#### **II. GOD'S ANSWER (v.5-11)**

1. Unexpected answer
2. Unusual instruments

#### **III. THE SECOND PROBLEM OF THE PROPHET (v.12-17)**

1. God is eternal
2. God is self-existent
3. God is holy
4. God is almighty
5. God is faithful

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Habakkuk**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE PERCEPTION OF THE PROPHET**

**(Habakkuk 2:1-20)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE PRACTICE OF THE PROPHET (v.1)**

1. He commits his problem to God
2. He expects an answer from God

##### **II. THE PATIENCE OF THE PROPHET (v.2-3)**

##### **III. THE PAGEANT OF THE PROPHET (v.4)**

##### **IV. THE PARABLE OF THE PROPHET (v.5-20)**

1. Those who murder and steal (**v.5-8**)
2. Those who are covetous (**v.9-11**)
3. Those who are heartless (**v.12-14**)
4. Those who are drunk (**v.15-17**)
5. Those who worship false gods (**v.18-20**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Habakkuk**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE PLEASURE OF THE PROPHET**

**(Habakkuk 3:1-19)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE PRAYER OF THE PROPHET (v.1-2)**

1. Humiliation
2. Adoration
3. Petition

##### **II. THE PROGRAMME OF GOD (v.3-15)**

1. Abraham (**v.3-6**)
2. Moses (**v.7-10**)
3. Joshua (**v.16-19**)

##### **III. THE POSITION OF THE PROPHET (v.16-18)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Zephaniah**  
**STUDY 1**

**THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY OF THE LORD**  
**(Zephaniah 1:1-18)**

**INTRODUCTION**

1. The man
  - a) His name
  - b) Ancestry
  - c) Occupation and home
2. Date
3. Background
  - a) Political in Judah
  - b) Political in the East
  - c) Religious and moral

**I. A DAY OF JUDGEMENT ON JUDAH AND JERUSALEM (v.1-6)**

1. Every trace of Baal
2. Names of pagan and idolatrous priests
3. Those who bow down to starry host
4. Those who swear by Molech

**II. THE CALL OF SILENCE (v.7)**

**III. THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT ON GOD'S PEOPLE (v.8-13)**

1. Adopting new lifestyles
2. Showing respect for superstitions
3. Bringing in symbols from paganism

**IV. A DAY OF JUDGEMENT ON THE WORLD (v.14-18)**

**CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zephaniah**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE INVITATION TO SEEK THE LORD**

**(Zephaniah 2:1 - 3:20)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. AN EXHORTATION TO SEEK THE LORD (2:1-3)**

1. Seek the Lord
2. Seek righteousness
3. Seek humility

##### **II. THE LORD'S PURPOSE IN PUNISHING THE NATIONS (2:4-15)**

##### **III. THE LORD'S PURPOSE IN PUNISHING JUDAH (3:1-8)**

1. Four causes exposed
2. Four classes of leaders
  - a) Princes
  - b) Judges
  - c) Prophets
  - d) Priests

##### **IV. THE LORD'S PURPOSE IN RESTORATION (3:9-20)**

1. Conversion of the nations (**v.9-10**)
2. Preservation of the remnant (**v.11-13**)
3. Psalm of joy (**v.14-17**)
4. Taking bride home (**v.18-20**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Haggai**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **THE FIRST MESSAGE**

#### **THE CHALLENGE TO BUILD THE TEMPLE**

**(Haggai 1:1-15)**

#### **I. RE-DEDICATION**

1. Historical background
2. The prophet

#### **II. THE CHALLENGE TO BUILD THE TEMPLE (v.1-11)**

1. Introduction (**v.1**)
2. God answers the people's excuse (**v.2-4**)
3. God sums up the plight of the people (**v.5-6**)
4. God gives reasons for their distress (**v.7-11**)

#### **III. POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM ZERUBBABEL AND THE PEOPLE (v.12-15)**

1. Leaders and people listen and obey (**v.12**)
2. The Lord empowers the workers (**v.13-15**)

## **Studies in Haggai**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **THE SECOND MESSAGE** **ENCOURAGEMENT TO WORK** **(Haggai 2:1-9)**

##### **I. COMPARISON WITH SOLOMON'S TEMPLE (v.1-3)**

##### **II. ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE BUILDERS (v.4-5)**

1. Be strong
2. And work
3. For I am with you
  - a) This is what I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt
  - b) And My Spirit remains among you

##### **III. GOD'S SUPPLY OF GLORY FOR THE NEW TEMPLE (v.6-9)**

1. Future of the nations (**v.6**)
2. The desire of all nations will come (**v.7**)
3. The silver is Mine and the gold is Mine (**v.8**)
4. "The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house", says the Lord (**v.9**)



## **Studies in Haggai**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **THE FOURTH MESSAGE** **THE PROMISE CONCERNING ZERUBBABEL** **(Haggai 2:20-23)**

##### **I. THE OVERTHROW OF THE NATIONS (v.20-22)**

1. Though they are powerful
2. Though there appears no human instrument to bring about their destruction

##### **II. THE EXULTATION OF ZERUBBABEL (v.23)**

1. God's servant
2. He is God's elect
3. God will make him a signet

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **A FRESH START**

**(Zechariah 1:1 - 2:13)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Author
2. Background
3. Message

#### **I. COMING HOME TO NOTHING**

#### **II. ENTER ZECHARIAH (1:1-6)**

#### **III. PICTURES FROM GOD (1:7 - 2:13)**

1. Vision one (**1:7-17**)
2. Vision two (**1:18-21**)
3. Vision three (**2:1-13**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **OUR TWO GREATEST NEEDS**

**(Zechariah 3:1 - 4:14)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. GOD CLEANSSES HIS PEOPLE FOR SERVICE (3:1-10)**

1. The accused (**v.1a, 3**)
2. The accuser (**v.1b**)
3. The advocate (**v.2-5**)
4. The assurance (**v.6-7**)
5. The announcement (**v.8-10**)

##### **II. GOD EMPOWERS HIS PEOPLE FOR SERVICE (4:1-14)**

1. The vision (**v.1-3**)
2. God provides the power (**v.4-7**)
3. God finishes His work (**v.7-10**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **JESUS IS KING**

**(Zechariah 5:1 - 6:15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE CLEANSING OF THE LAND (5:1-11)**

1. God deals with lawlessness (**v.1-4**)
2. God deals with wickedness (**v.5-11**)

##### **II. GOD JUDGES THE NATIONS (6:1-8)**

##### **III. GOD CROWNS HIS PRIEST-KING (6:9-15)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **THE TRADITION TRAP**

**(Zechariah 7:1 - 8:23)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. PROBLEMS CONCERNING TRADITION (7:1-14)**

1. The request (**v.1-3**)
2. The reply (**v.4-7**)
3. The rebuke (**v.8-17**)

##### **II. PROMISES CONCERNING THE FUTURE (8:1-23)**

1. Blessings to come (**V.1-8**)
2. Immediate blessing (**v.9-15**)
3. Final answer to their question (**v.16-23**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 5**

#### **THE KING WHO CAME BY DONKEY**

**(Zechariah 9:1 - 10:12)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE MESSIAH'S COMING (9:1-9)**

1. Preparation for the King (**v.1-8**)
2. Presentation of the King (**v.9-17**)
  - a) He is King
  - b) He is righteous
  - c) He brings salvation
  - d) He is gentle and humble
  - e) He is coming

##### **II. GOD CARES FOR HIS PEOPLE (10:1-12)**

1. Seek help from the right place (**v.1**)
  - a) Turn aside from idols
  - b) Turn aside from diviners
2. Follow the right leadership (**10:2-12**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **THE GOOD SHEPHERD AND THE FOOLISH ONE**

**(Zechariah 11:1-17)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. **THE WAILING SHEPHERDS** (v.1-3)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **GOD CARES FOR HIS PEOPLE** (v.4-14)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **THE FALSE SHEPHERD** (v.15-17)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Zechariah**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **GOD'S PEOPLE - REDEEMED, REFINED AND RESTORED**

**(Zechariah 12:1 - 14:21)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

##### **I. THE LORD WILL DELIVER HIS PEOPLE (12:1-9, 14:12-15)**

1. Jerusalem attacked (**12:1-3**)
2. Jerusalem defended (**12:4-7**)
3. Jerusalem's enemies defeated (**12:7-9, 14:12-15**)

##### **II. THE LORD WILL CLEANSE HIS PEOPLE (12:10 - 13:9)**

1. God promises repentance (**12:10-14**)
2. God promises cleansing (**13:1-7**)
3. God promises refining (**13:8-9**)

##### **III. THE LORD REIGNS OVER ALL THE EARTH (14:1-21)**

1. Jerusalem surrounded (**v.1-2**)
2. God will be King over the whole earth (**v.3-15**)
3. The final blessings of God's kingdom (**v.16-21**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 1**

#### **GOD'S LOVE QUESTIONED**

**(Malachi 1:1-5)**

#### **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

##### **I. THE HEADING (v.1)**

1. An oracle

##### **II. GOD'S LOVE QUESTIONED (v.2)**

1. Declaration
2. Listen to their answer

##### **III. GOD'S LOVE FOR ISRAEL AND EDOM CONTRASTED**

1. I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have hated
2. Esau's inheritance

##### **IV. GOD'S GREATNESS IN VIEW (v.5)**

#### **CONCLUSION**



## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 2**

#### **POLLUTED SACRIFICES**

**(Malachi 1:6-14)**

##### **I. THE MISSING ESSENTIAL (v.7)**

1. The practice was pursued
2. The place was proper
3. The procedure was wrong

##### **II. THE EXPLANATION (v.8)**

1. The resentment
2. The remonstrance
3. Self-examination demanded

##### **III. THE EXHORTATION (v.9)**

1. Call to repentance
2. Full of irony

##### **IV. DIVINE DISAPPROVAL EMPHASIZED (v.10-13)**

1. The calamity of feigned worship (**v.10-12**)
2. The plunge of intellectual pride (**v.13**)

#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 3**

#### **THE FAILURE OF THE PRIESTS**

**(Malachi 2:1-16)**

##### **I. THE FAILURES OF THE PRIESTS (v.1-9)**

1. Priestly neglect brings God's curse (**v.1-3**)
  - a) I will send a curse upon you
  - b) I will curse your blessings
  - c) I will blight your grain
  - d) I will spread dung in your faces
  - e) You will be carried off with it
2. Priests contrasted with Levi (**v.4-9**)
  - a) Reverence of Levi (**v.4-5**)
  - b) The faithful teaching of Levi (**v.6-7**)
  - c) Corrupt partiality of the priests (**v.8-9**)

##### **II. THE FAILURE OF THE PEOPLE (v.10-16)**

1. Broken covenant with God (**v.10-12**)
  - a) Worship of foreign gods (**v.10-11**)
  - b) God responds (**v.12**)
2. Broken marriage vows (**v.13-16**)
  - a) God refuses to accept their offering (**v.13**)
  - b) Divorce is the reason (**v.14**)
  - c) God rebukes them sharply (**v.15-16**)

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 4**

#### **FAILURE OF THE PEOPLE**

**(Malachi 2:10-16)**

##### **I. BROKEN THEIR COVENANT WITH GOD (v.10-12)**

1. The worship of foreign gods (v.10-11)
  - a) Dealt falsely with one another
2. God responds (v.12)

##### **II. BROKEN THEIR MARRIAGE VOWS (v.13-16)**

1. God refuses to accept their offerings (v.13)
2. Divorce the reason for God's displeasure (v.14)
  - a) The Lord is acting as a witness
  - b) Your wife
  - c) Wife of your youth
  - d) She is your partner
  - e) The wife of your marriage covenant
3. God's sharp rebuke (v.15-16)
  - a) Because God joined them together
  - b) God hates divorce
  - c) A word of caution

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Studies in Malachi**  
**STUDY 5**

**THE APPROACHING JUDGEMENT**  
**(Malachi 2:17 - 3:6)**

**I. THE QUESTION ABOUT GOD'S JUSTICE (2:17)**

**II. THE SUDDEN COMING OF THE LORD TO HIS TEMPLE (3:1)**

1. Prophecy regarding John the Baptist
  - a) My messenger
  - b) To prepare the way
    - (i) To remove the stones from the road
    - (ii) Clearing the ground
    - (iii) Clean up a house
2. Prophecy of Christ's coming
  - a) He is called "the Lord"
  - b) Messenger of the covenant
  - c) Whom ye seek . . . ye delight in
  - d) He will come suddenly
  - e) Come to His temple

**III. THE PURIFYING WORK OF THE LORD (v.2-4)**

1. The power of His coming (**v.2**)
2. The purifying of the priests and their offerings (**v.3-4**)

**III. THE PUNISHING WORK OF THE LORD (v.5)**

**IV. THE REASON FOR HIS WORK (3:6)**

1. Immutability of God
2. So you . . . are not destroyed

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 6**

#### **TITHING**

**(Malachi 3:7-12)**

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **I. THE FAILURE TO BRING TITHES AND OFFERINGS (v.7-8)**

#### **II. THE CURSE FOR ROBBING GOD**

#### **III. THE CHALLENGE FOR FAITHFUL GIVING**

1. The promise of abundant divine blessing (**v.10**)
2. The promise of an abundant harvest (**v.11**)
3. The promise of national prosperity (**v.12**)

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 7**

#### **THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE / MOTIVATION TO SERVE THE LORD**

**(Malachi 3:13-18)**

##### **I. THE CHARGE THAT SERVING GOD IS USELESS (v.13-15)**

1. The unbelief of the accusers (**v.13**)
2. The nature of the accusation (**v.14-15**)

##### **II. THE RESULTS OF TRULY WORSHIPPING GOD (v.16-18)**

1. Feared the Lord
2. Talked with each other
3. Honoured His Name

##### **III. RESULTS**

1. God remembers His own (**v.16**)
2. God spares His own (**v.17-18**)

## **Studies in Malachi**

### **STUDY 8**

#### **THE COMING DAY OF THE LORD**

**(Malachi 4:1-6)**

##### **I. THE JUDGEMENT ON THE UNSAVED (v.1)**

##### **II. THE TRIUMPH OF THE RIGHTEOUS (v.2-3)**

1. Gives righteousness
2. Reward for righteous life
3. Healing
4. Result
  - a) Joy
  - b) Victory

##### **III. PROPHECY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST (v.4-6)**