# **Student Notes for Unit 6**

# **Key Understandings for This Unit**

These are the key concepts you need to understand by the end of the unit:

- Prophets were individuals God called to speak to the people on his behalf.
- The prophets reinforced that God wanted a close relationship with his People, which meant that the people must be faithful to him alone and treat one another with justice.
- The prophets gave the people hope when they had strayed from God and were in trouble.
- God calls us today to hear the words of the prophets, apply them to our lives, and be prophetic ourselves.

# **Introducing the Prophets**

- 1. What is the definition of prophet?
- 2. Why did the prophets interact with the kings in Israel and Judah?
- 3. Biblical prophets were people God chose to speak his message of \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. What is the definition of a prophecy?
- 5. Prophets were more active in times when the Israelite or Jewish people were straying from their covenant relationship with God. (T / F)



- 6. Fill in the missing steps from the Cycle of Redemption.
  - A. God creates or enters into a covenant, and it is good.

Β.

C. God sends teachers, kings, prophets, or others who lead the people to repentance.

D.

E. Peace and God's healing return to the people.

(The Saint Mary's Press<sup>®</sup> Essential Bible Dictionary, pages 40–41)

#### Four Characteristics Shared by the Prophets

- 1. List four characteristics shared by the prophets:
  - Α.
  - В.
  - C.
  - D.
- 2. Can you think of anyone else from your study of the Bible who also possessed these characteristics?



# The Prophets Fall into Different Groups

Though they share common characteristics, the prophets differ as well.

1. Who are five non-writing prophets? Why are they called non-writing?

2. It is easy to recognize writing prophets because they have \_\_\_\_\_\_

3. List the major prophets.

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- 4. List the minor prophets.
- 5. What is another name for nonwriting prophets?
- 6. What is another name for writing prophets?



# The Messiah

1. Messiah comes from a Hebrew word meaning \_\_\_\_\_\_. It is translated in Greek as

