Final Performance Task   
Options for Unit 6

The following are the main ideas you are to understand from this unit. They should appear in this final performance task so your teacher can assess whether you learned the most essential content:

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 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.

Option 1: Collaborative Research

You will display your understanding of the role of biblical prophets through a PowerPoint presentation about one of them. With the students in your group, research your prophet, completing the handout “Messianic Prophecies” (Document #: TX001144) before putting together your PowerPoint presentation. The presentation should cover the following elements:

an introduction to the prophet (Who was he? When did he live?)

a map showing where he came from (ancient and modern)

an introduction to the people the prophet wanted to reach and an explanation of what God wanted from these people

an artistic presentation of the prophet’s quotations of warning and hope

an evaluation of how successful the prophet was

an illustration of this prophet

a picture of how this prophet might look in today’s world

some quotations you might attribute to this prophet today

ideas of how you might bring the community and yourselves closer to God based on what this prophet says

You may choose any of the following prophets:

Amos

Elisha

Habakkuk

Haggai

Hosea

Joel

Jonah

Malachi

Micah

Nahum

Nathan

Obadiah

Samuel

Zechariah

Zephaniah

Option 2: Prophetic Letter

You will display your understanding of the prophet’s role in society and compose a letter from a modern-day prophet that shares the message and style of an Old Testament prophet. Follow the steps below to complete the project.

Read material from the Bible written by the prophet, either prose or poetry. Also read background material about the prophet.

Fill out the handout “Research for Unit 6 Final Performance Tasks” (Document #: TX001133).

Write a two-page, typed prophetic letter to a modern audience that resembles the audience the prophet addressed. Use the prophet’s speech patterns and express his concerns in a modern context. Follow the format of the prophet researched, as below.

Create headings to divide the letter into different types of writing, if needed.

Imitate the introduction to the prophetic book.

Imitate at least four types of writing in the prophetic book: a narration of events, a prayer, a blessing of God with song, a vision, a challenge to leaders or the people, a prediction of destruction because of poor behavior, comfort, an offer of hope, stories, a description of the prophet’s call and his experiences as a prophet.

The letter should speak to a modern audience with modern concerns even while using an ancient style.

Imitate the conclusion of the prophetic book.

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