Minor Prophets, Major Themes

In the Minor Prophets, God revealed His plan to deal with sin and to honor His name.

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God's Name







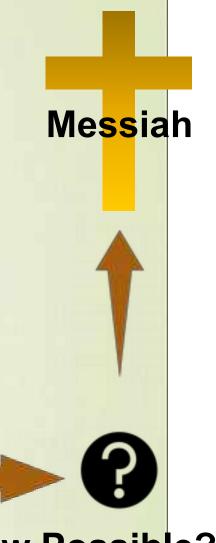
Purge Israel's Sin



Judge Israel's Enemies



Restoration



How Possible?

Impact of Sin

Israel's Sin



Against God



Against others

Sins Against God

High-handed, grievous

Hosea 2:8

Used blessings to worship idols

Hypocritical worship, divorce, not giving, adultery, rejecting God's word

Malachi 1:6-14; 2:11; 13-16; 3:5; 8-9

Amos 2:4

Sins Against Fellow Man

Cheated

Oppressed the righteous

Oppressed widows and orphans

Not seeing that justice is done

Mic 6:11-12; Amos 2:4-8; Mic 2:8-9; Zech

7:8-14; Hab 1:1-4



The Day of the Lord

...is any day where God rises up and intervenes in human history to make His name great.

Elements of the Day of the Lord



Purge Israel's Sin

Hosea 2:13

Amos 3:2



Judgment on Israel's Enemies

Hab 1:11 "they will be held guilty"

Zech 1:15 "they furthered the disaster"

Zeph 2:10 arrogant and hateful

Joel 3:1-17



Restoration of God's People



Zech 13:1 "a fountain...for sin and for impurity"

Joel 2:25-29

Zech 2:11 "many nations"

But..."her wound is incurable" – Micah 1:9

Lessons to take away

God is no respecter of persons

Sin is primarily against God

People are hurt by our sin

Minor Prophets point us to God's glorious character!

He WILL make His people holy

He WILL judge the wicked

He WILL forgive and restore sinners who repent