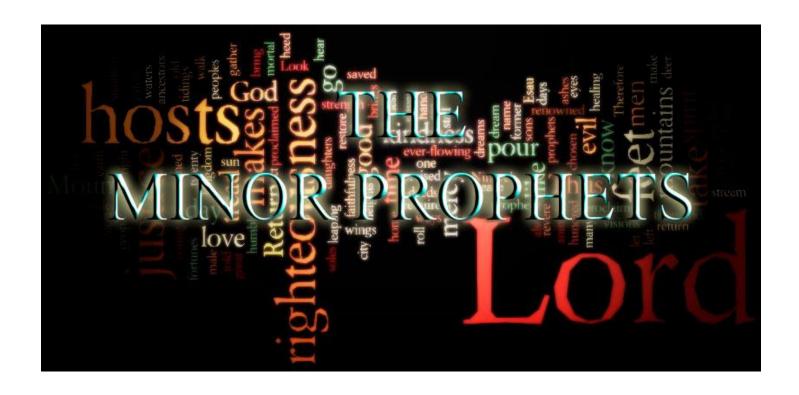
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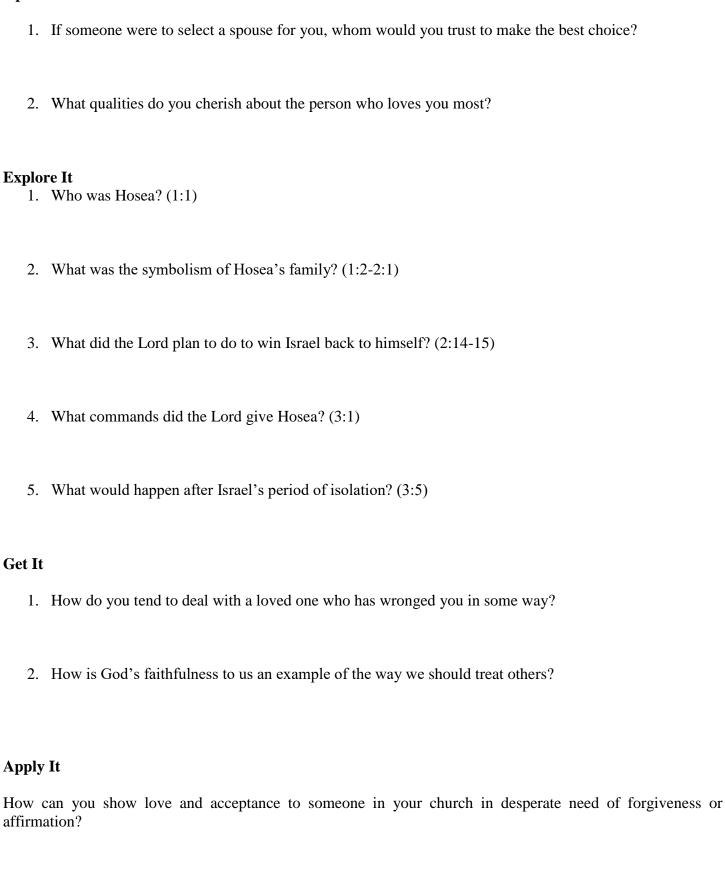


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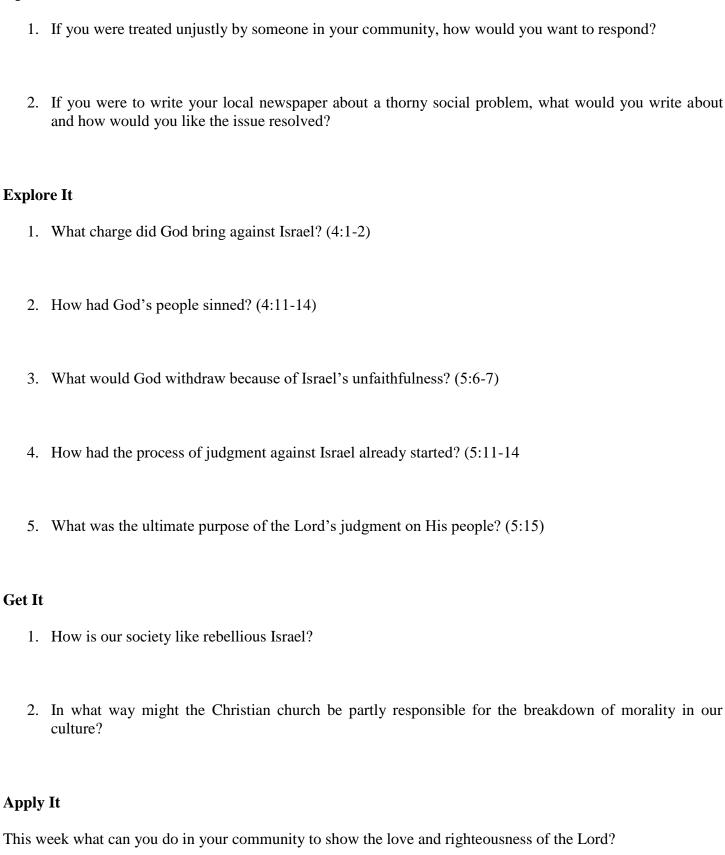


### Survey of the Minor Prophets

### Hosea's Wayward Wife - Hosea 1:1-3:5



### Israel's Sinfulness - Hosea 4:1-5:15



### Israel's Punishment - Hosea 6:1-10:15

### **Open It**

Open	
1.	What are some childhood friendships that went sour by the time you were an adult, and what drove you apart?
2.	When do you usually like to say what you think and show your feelings, and when do you prefer to keep your thoughts and emotions to yourself?
Explo	re It
1.	How would a penitent Israel respond to the Lord? (6:1-3)
2.	What were Israel's crimes against the Lord? (6:11-7:16)
3.	How did God's people show that they had forgotten Him? (8:1-14)
4.	What were the consequences of Israel's idolatry? (9:10-17)
5.	Why did God hold out the possibility of repentance and blessing? (10:12)
Get It	
1.	Why is God's mercy and grace important?
2.	How would you describe your walk with the Lord in the past few weeks?
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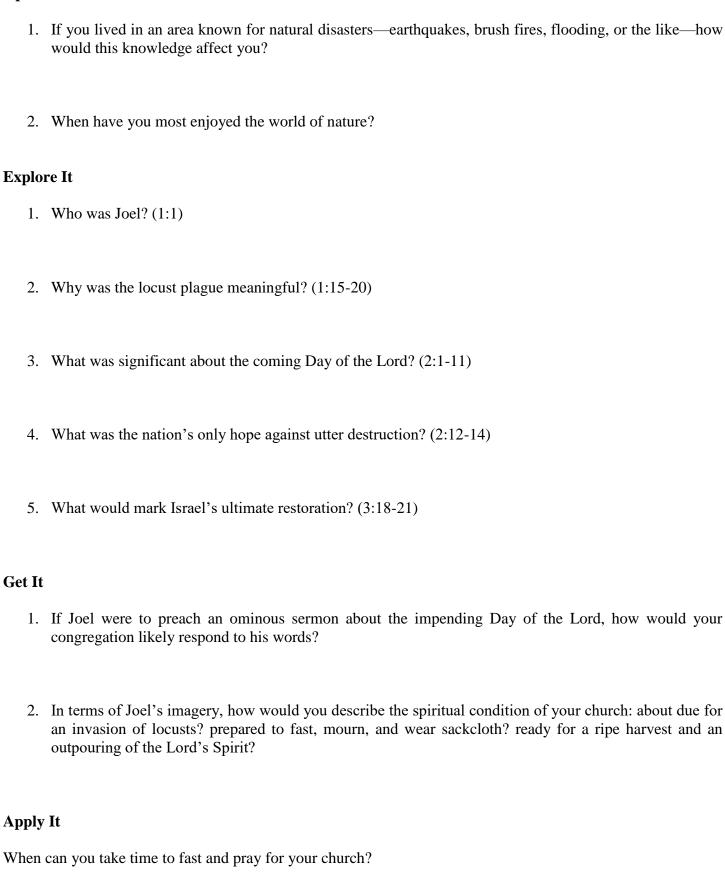
### **Apply It**

How can you work on improving your closeness and devotion to the Lord this week?

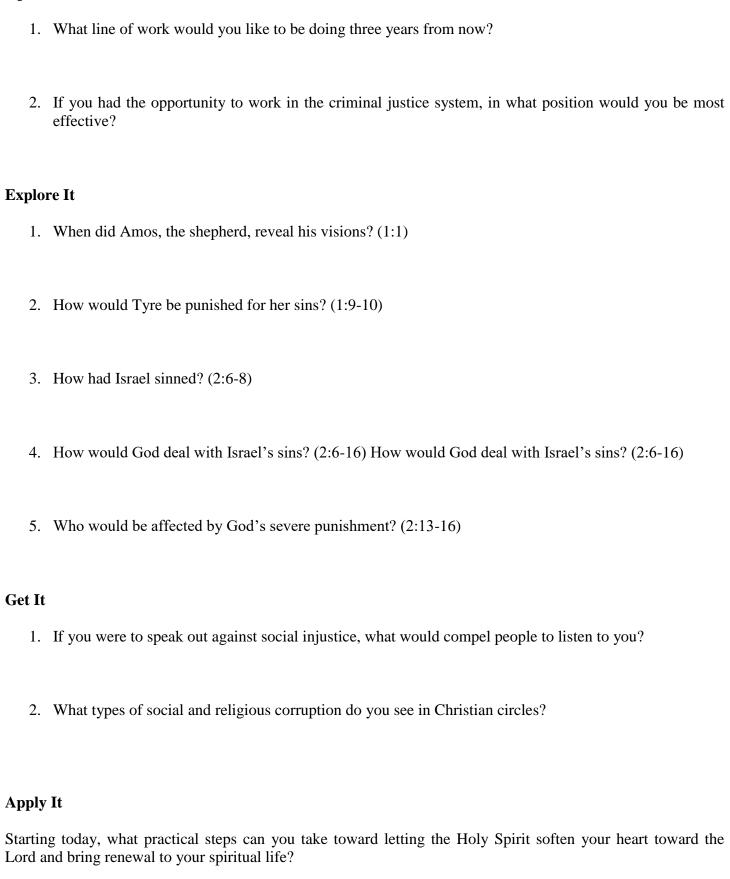
### God's Love for Israel - Hosea 11:1-14:9

1.	What is one good way to express angry feelings?
2.	Would you prefer to be known as "loving" or "just"? Why?
Explor	re It
1.	How did God express His love for Israel? (11:1-4)
2.	How did God show that He was torn between love and justice? (11:8-11)
3.	What lessons from history did God mention? (12:3-6, 12-13)
4.	What was the promise of restoration? (14:4-6)
5.	What final challenge did Hosea leave the people? (14:9)
Get It	
1.	How has God shown fatherly love to you?
2.	Why is justice an important part of being a Christian?
Apply It	
What g	ifts, talents, abilities, or resources can you use to show Christian love and justice toward others?

### The Day of the Locusts, the Day of the Lord - Joel 1:1-3:21



### **Announcement of Judgment - Amos 1:1-2:16**



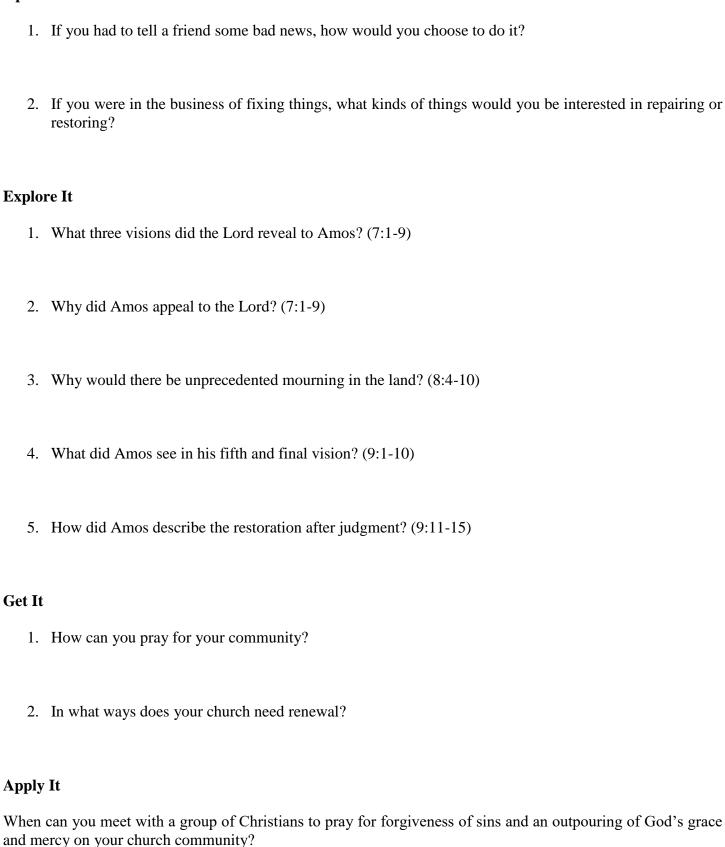
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### Reasons for Judgment - Amos 3:1-6:14

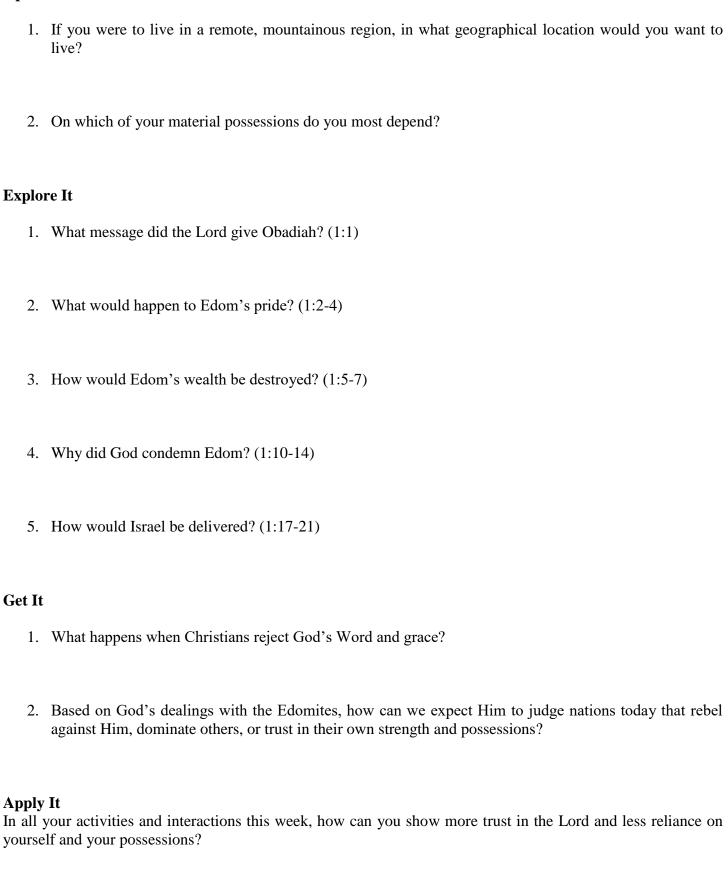
1.	What one family relationship would you consider very unique and rewarding?
2.	If suddenly you inherited a lot of money, what would you do with it?
Explo	re It
1.	Why did God speak out against Israel? (3:1-2)
2.	What were the injustices of Israel? (3:9-10)
3.	What were the Israelites accused of? (5:7, 10-13, 21-22, 25-26).
4.	What were the Israelites accused of? (5:7, 10-13, 21-22, 25-26)
5.	What did Amos say to those who enjoyed affluence and comfortable living? (6:1-7)
Get It	
	In what ways do you think you need to be less attached to money, things, material comforts, and status?
2.	What is the prevailing attitude in your church toward money, possessions, and status?
Apply	<sup>7</sup> It
	can you share some of your resources with those who are needy or oppressed?

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### Visions of Judgment - Amos 7:1-9:15



### Edom and Israel - Obadiah 1:1-21



### Jonah Forsakes His Mission - Jonah 1:1-2:10

1.	What is your idea of the perfect "get away from all your troubles" location?
2.	When have you been rescued from a difficult situation?
Explo	re It
1.	What did God tell Jonah to do? (1:1-2)
2.	How did Jonah respond to God? (1:3)
3.	How did the sailors appeal to Jonah? (1:11)
4.	Once inside the fish, how did Jonah respond to God's rescue? (2:1-9)
5.	How did God finally deliver Jonah? (2:10)
Get It	
1.	How has God pursued you when you have tried to avoid Him?
2.	When have bad circumstances turned out for your good?
Apply It	
How d	lo you want to thank the Lord right now for all the remarkable ways He has delivered you?

### Jonah Fulfills His Mission - Jonah 3:1-4:11

1.	When things don't go your way, how do you tend to respond?
2.	What most easily moves you to compassion?
Explo	ore It
1.	How did Jonah respond to God's instructions? (3:3)
2.	What did the king do? (3:6)
3.	How did Jonah respond to God's goodness to the Ninevites? (4:1)
4.	What was the attitude of Jonah's prayer? (4:2-3)
5.	What did God want Jonah to understand? (4:9-11)
Get I	t
1.	God was very gracious to Jonah, a pouting, reactive type. How does God deal with your prickly side?
2.	Jonah wanted Nineveh, Israel's enemy, destroyed. When have you wanted revenge rather than restoration in a relationship?
Apply It	
	That is one way you can extend God's love and mercy toward others, particularly those who don't eserve it?

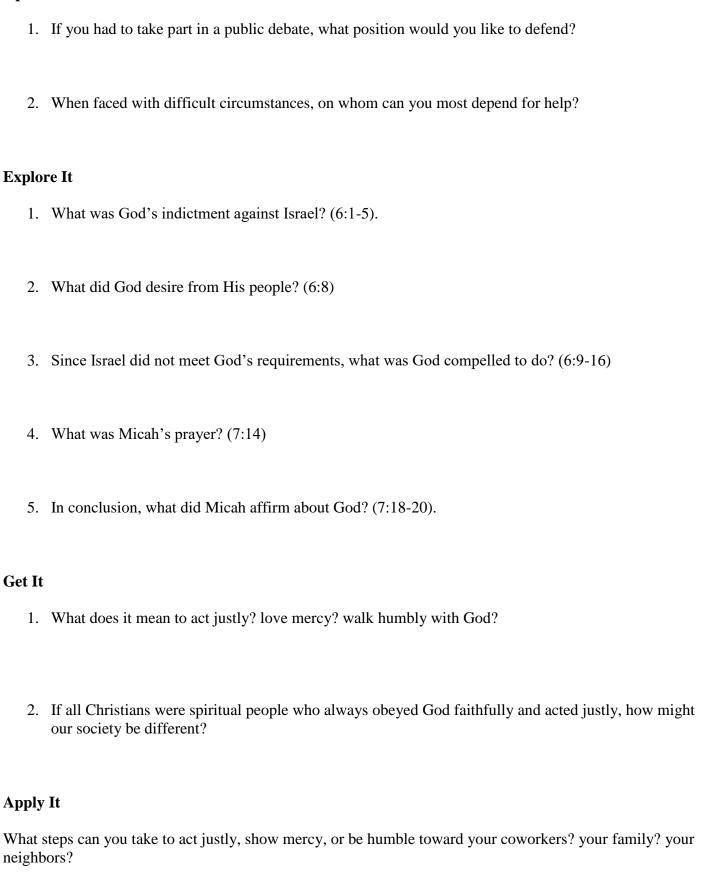
### The Trial of the Capitals - Micah 1:1-2:13

Open .	Open it		
1.	What one infectious disease would you most like to avoid having? Why?		
2.	If you inherited valuable land, what would you do with it?		
Explo	re It		
1.	What was the message for Samaria and Judah? (1:2-7)		
2.	What were the sins of the people? (2:1-5)		
3.	What were the sins of the false prophets? (2:6-11)		
4.	What were the sins of the false prophets? (2:6-11)		
5.	Who would lead God's people? (2:13)		
Get It			
1.	In what ways have Christians perpetuated social injustice?		
2.	What does God's standard of justice require of us?		
Apply It			
How c	an you become a more effective Christian witness in matters of social justice?		

### The Trial of the Leaders - Micah 3:1-5:15

1.	What volunteer social service project would best suit your talents and interests?
2.	Who, in your view, is one of the greatest leaders of our time?
Explo	re It
1.	How did the unjust leaders treat the people? (3:1-3)
2.	How would the Lord deal with the leaders? (3:4)
3.	How did Micah describe the characteristics of the kingdom? (4:1-8)
4.	What happened to the ruler of Israel? (5:1)
5.	What was the work of Israel's ruler? (5:3-15)
Get It	
1.	How would you characterize the leadership of your church?
2.	If Micah were here today, how might he evaluate the church on matters of helping the disadvantaged and suffering people?
Apply	It
This w	veek what initiative can you take to do acts of mercy and justice on behalf of those in need?

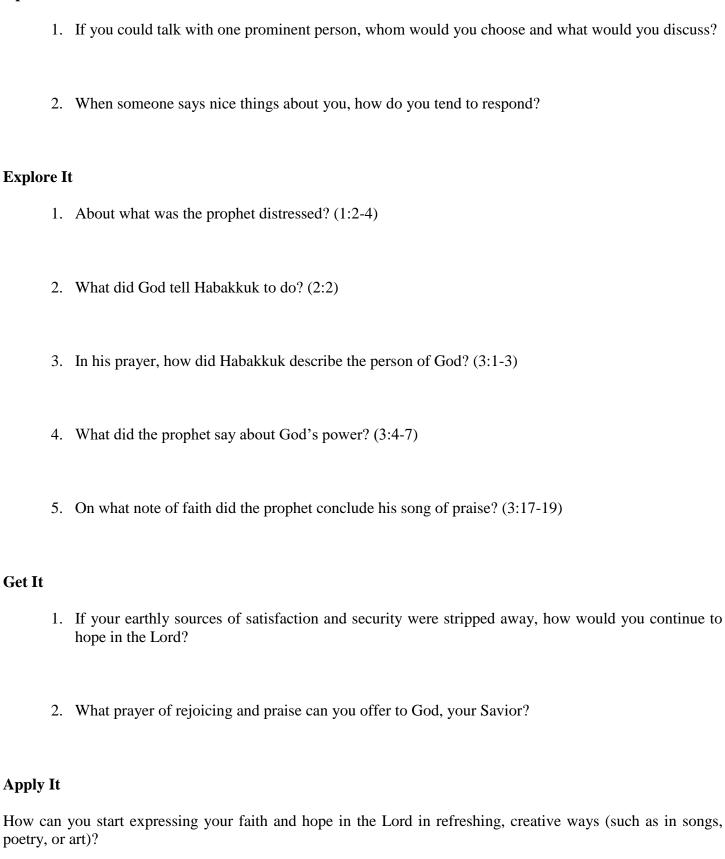
### The Trial of the People - Micah 6:1-7:20



### **Nineveh - Nahum 1:1-3:19**

1.	When you are troubled, what are some of the most comforting words a friend can say to you?.
2.	When have you been enraged with someone else?
Explo	re It
1.	How did Nahum describe the ways of the Lord? (1:2-8)
2.	What had Nineveh done against the Lord? (1:9-11)
3.	How would Judah's affliction end? (1:12-15)
4.	Why did God judge Nineveh? (3:1-7)
5.	How would people respond to Nineveh's destruction? (3:19)
Get It	
1.	How has God cared for you?
2.	The name Nahum means comfort. How can Christians be a comfort to others in troubling circumstances?
Apply	It
	om can you be a comfort or help? How?

### Habakkuk's Complaints and Prayer - Habakkuk 1:1-3:19



### Days of Wrath and Hope - Zephaniah 1:1-3:20

1.	What did the prophet summon the people to do? (2:1-3)
2.	What in your life brings you the most joy?
Explo	re It
1.	What was prophesied concerning Judah and Jerusalem? (1:2-18)
2.	What did the prophet summon the people to do? (2:1-3)
3.	What did Zephaniah say about Jerusalem's doom? (3:1-7)
4.	How would the nations be renewed? (3:9-10)
5.	How would God remove sorrow from His people? (3:18-20)
Get It	
	When have you experienced restoration and rejoicing after a period of rebellion?
2.	In your life as a Christian, what do you look forward to most?
Apply	It
	an you remind yourself (or others) this week of the future hope that God has planned for His people?

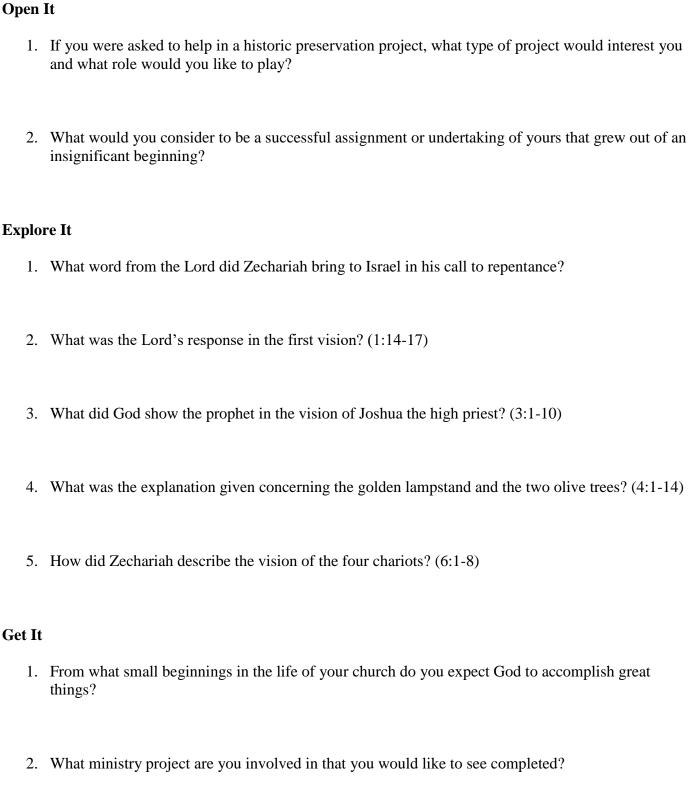
### Rebuilding the Temple - Haggai 1:1-2:23

### Open it

1.	When do you procrastinate?
2.	When do you tend to own up to your mistakes, and when do you find it easier to make excuses for yourself?
Explo	re it
1.	What excuse did the people make for not rebuilding the temple? (1:2)
2.	Why did the Lord rebuke the people of Judah? (1:3-6)
3.	How did the people react to the prophetic message? (1:12-15)
4.	What contrast was made between God's punishment up to that point and His future blessing? (2:11-19)
5.	What final promise did God make? (2:23)
Get it	
1.	If a respected church leader reprimanded you for your lack of commitment to ministry, how would you respond?
2.	How has God's discipline influenced your life?
Apply	v <b>it</b>
	do you want to remember the next time you are rightly confronted with a need to change?

### Zechariah's Night Visions - Zechariah 1:1-6:8

### Open It



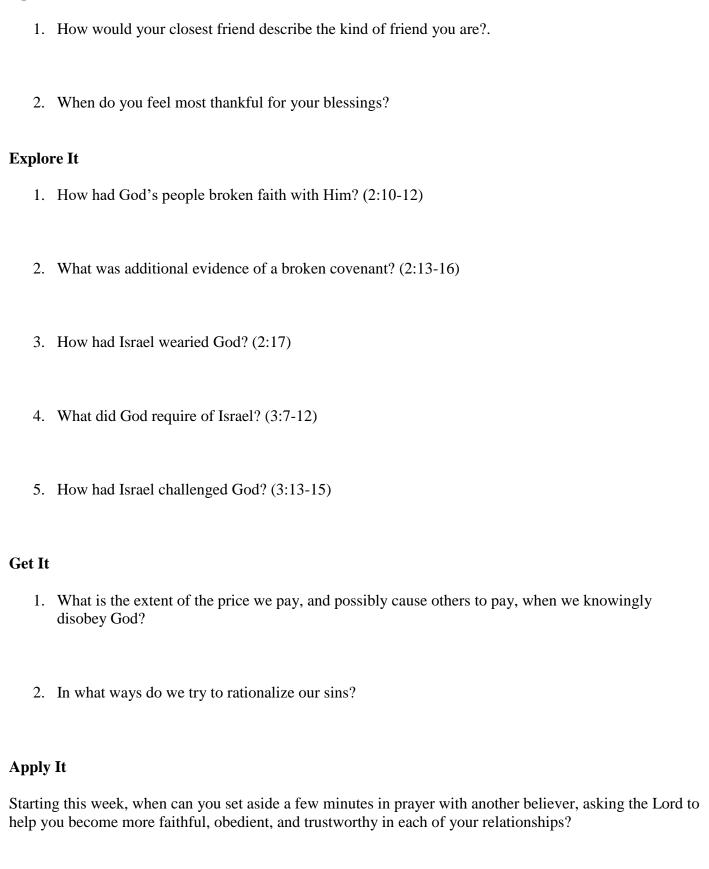
### Apply It

What small steps can you take to be obedient to the Lord in new ways this week?

### The Sinful Priests - Malachi 1:1-2:9

1.	When you are displeased about something, how do you express yourself?	
2.	When have you felt taken for granted or treated with disrespect?	
Explore It		
1.	What did God claim for Israel? (1:2)	
2.	What was God's complaint against Israel? (1:6-14)	
3.	What was the attitude of the priests in Malachi's day? (1:12-13)	
4.	What was the warning to the priests? (2:1-4)	
5.	How had the priests failed in keeping and applying the law? (2:5-9)	
Get It		
	Israel was guilty of giving God leftovers. In what way do we sometimes give God leftovers in our worship? in our finances? in our time?	
2.	How does God deal with you when you give Him less than your best?	
Apply It		
What would it take for you to start giving God your best in your worship, your finances, and your time?		

### The Sinful People - Malachi 2:10-3:15



### The Faithful Few - Malachi 3:16-4:6

1.	To whom are you most loyal?	
2.	What social events do you usually dread or not enjoy?	
Explore It		
1.	What assurance was given to those who were faithful to the Lord? (3:16)	
2.	What promise did God give to His people? (3:17)	
3.	What would the day of the Lord hold for God's remnant? (4:2)	
4.	Why did the prophet tell the people to recall the law of Moses? (4:4)	
5.	What major theme of the prophets did Malachi's last words reflect? (4:6)	
Get It		
1.	How submissive to the Lord are you?	
2.	To what blessings and promises of the Lord do you look forward?	
Apply It		
What can you do this week to demonstrate unswerving loyalty to the Lord?		