Participant Handout

2026 Q4 L02 The Call of a Prophet

Big Idea God called ordinary, flawed people to be His spokespersons in difficult times, pointing the world back to faithfulness and forward to Jesus.

How to Use This Handout

- Read the passage.
- Notice what the text says.
- Bring your questions and reflections to the discussion.
- Leave space for what God is showing you.

Day 1 Sabbath Afternoon - The Call of a Prophet

Main Theme Prophets were individuals specifically chosen by God to serve as His spokespersons in difficult times.

Set the Scene Let's look at the memory text for this week, which captures the profound moment a prophet is commissioned by God in a heavenly vision.

Read Isaiah 6:8 "...Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?..." (NKJV)

Think About

- Why do you think God asks for a volunteer instead of just commanding someone to go?
- What kind of preparation of the heart is necessary before someone can genuinely say, "Send me"?

Notice

Who initiates the call: _____

How God presents the call: _____

The prophet's immediate response: _____

Apply Where is God giving me the courage to be His faithful messenger today?

Day 2 Sunday - Abraham, Defender of the Covenant

Main Theme God calls flawed but faithful people to stand as defenders of His covenant in a world of apostasy.

Set the Scene Years after the dispersion from Babel, God chose Abram to be an example of covenant faith for all future generations.

Read Genesis 15:6; Galatians 3:6-7 "...he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness..." (NKJV)

Think About

- What about Abraham's character qualified him for God's service, even though he was clearly a flawed man?
- How does Genesis 15:6 powerfully reveal the promise of the gospel?

Notice

The foundation of Abram's relationship with God: _____

How God accounted his faith: _____

The identifying mark of the true sons of Abraham: _____

Apply What is one area of my life where I need to trust God's promises more deeply today?

Day 3 Monday - The Elijah Message

Main Theme The prophetic voice fearlessly challenges idolatry and calls people back to a faithful relationship with God.

Set the Scene Under King Ahab, Israel was deeply entrenched in Baal worship, and God sent Elijah to announce a drought to turn His people back to obedience.

Read 1 Kings 18:21 "...How long will you falter between two opinions?..." (NKJV)

Think About

- Why did Elijah need to force a confrontation on Mount Carmel rather than just preaching a quiet sermon?
- What kinds of idols exist in our homes, hearts, and churches today that we need to turn away from?

Notice

Who Elijah confronts directly: _____

The clear choice demanded: _____

The people's initial reaction: _____

Apply Do I have any divided loyalties or modern "idols" I need to surrender to the Lord?

Day 4 Tuesday - Isaiah, the Gospel Prophet

Main Theme Experiencing the holiness and grace of God transforms us into willing messengers of the gospel.

Set the Scene Overwhelmed by a vision of God's majesty and his own unworthiness, Isaiah was purged of sin and empowered to write the clearest prophecies of the coming Messiah.

Read Isaiah 53:3, 5 "...He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities..." (NKJV)

Think About

- Why do you think Isaiah 53 is considered the most powerful prophecy depicting Christ's death?
- How does understanding that Jesus was our Substitute impact your daily faith?

Notice

How the Messiah is treated by men: _____

Why He was wounded and bruised: _____

What His suffering brings to us: _____

Apply How can I live today in the peace of knowing the incredible price Jesus paid for me?

Day 5 Wednesday - Daniel, the Faithful Seer

Main Theme Uncompromising faithfulness in small things prepares us to be God's witnesses to the highest earthly powers.

Set the Scene As a captive in Babylon, Daniel modeled unwavering integrity, beginning with his health habits, leading pagan kings to acknowledge the true God.

Read Daniel 2:47-48 "...Truly your God is the God of gods, the Lord of kings..." (NKJV)

Think About

- How did Daniel's faithfulness in a small test prepare him for life-threatening tests later?
- How can our daily lives serve as a reminder to others of the power of God working in us?

Notice

Who acknowledges Daniel's God: _____

What God is declared to be: _____

Why Daniel is exalted by the king: _____

Apply What is one "small" area of my life where I can commit to unwavering faithfulness this week?

Day 6 Thursday - John the Baptist, Preparing a People

Main Theme God's prophets prepare the way for Jesus, pointing others to Him even through their own seasons of doubt and suffering.

Set the Scene John came preaching repentance in the wilderness to prepare the way for the Messiah, but later faced a severe crisis of faith while locked in Herod's dungeon.

Read Matthew 11:2-4 "...Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?..." (NKJV)

Think About

- How did Jesus gracefully reaffirm John's faith while he was in prison?
- Have you ever been in a position where you could not understand why bad things were happening to you? How do you maintain trust?

Notice

What John struggled with in prison: _____

Who John took his questions directly to: _____

How Jesus responded: _____

Apply What doubt or struggle do I need to take directly to Jesus in prayer today?

Day 7 Summary

This week I discovered:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A truth about Jesus I want to remember:

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One step I will take this week:

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Prayer:

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