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Each of these sections has an introductory note and the arrangement may be a bit artificial but it looks good for the whole...note the style of 5 and 7 and 7 and 5. Probably Bible teachers make some of these things up but when they fit the material well one cannot help but think they were purposed by the initial authors.

c. In looking at things in which you will be interested in further study, consider these:

--the significance of the vision: note when and how often it occurs in Ezekiel and what is indicated by it.

--the character of biblical allegory

--God's plan for Israel beyond Babylon

--the great temple: what it teaches, what it symbolizes.

4. Some Summary notes on the Major Prophets

- a. Scan carefully the items in the appendix given for this part of the material.
- b. Compare the calls, the methods used, and the character of the individual prophets. You should be able to discern something of God's dealings with us in this manner.
- c. Consider what these men knew of each other and how their works intertwine.
- d. Observe that the fulfillment of prophecy is one of the strong evidences for the character of the Scripture and a sure proof of supernatural communication.
- e. The relationship of the prophets to the covenant and the law as well as their place in the development of the nation.

B. The Minor Prophets

Well, there are twelve of them and our treatment is very uneven. For some we have notes like those we have just waded through and for some our materials are sketchy. I want you to see them all...with their particular burdens and intentions but due to the nature of things we will proceed through them with even greater force than through the major prophets. Please remember that the historical background is very necessary for the fuller understanding of these books. A work like Schultz: THE OLD TESTAMENT SPEAKS or THE PROPHETS SPEAK is vital as collateral reading for your Bible.