

**Scripts for the students
to paste onto their scrolls**



Parade of Prophets

1. ABEL

I am the prophet **Abel**. My name means “breath.” I was the righteous son of Adam and Eve and a skilled shepherd. My older brother Cain was a farmer. One day, we both presented our offerings to God as an act of worship. God accepted my sacrifice but rejected my brother’s. Scripture does not record God’s reason, but it does teach us that God looks at the heart and judges motives and moral character. Cain became very angry and jealous of me. He killed me, and I became the first martyr in the Bible. We bear witness to the eternal hatred between good and evil. Jesus called me a prophet because my shed blood and testimony still speak today.

2. MOSES

I am the prophet **Moses**. My name means “to draw out.” When I was born, the Egyptian pharaoh was killing all Hebrew baby boys. To preserve my life, my mother placed me in the Nile River. Pharaoh’s daughter found me and raised me as an Egyptian prince. At the age of 40, God called me out of Egypt to equip me for my mission as Israel’s deliverer.

The office of prophet was formally established when God appeared in all His majestic glory on Mt. Sinai and gave me the Ten Commandments. The Hebrews were so afraid of Him, they asked me to speak for them with God. As a result, the prophet in the Old Testament took on the role of gracious mediator.

God told me that “He would raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like me, and would put His words in his mouth, and that He would speak to them all that He commanded him.” That prophecy was fulfilled fifteen hundred years later when Jesus came to earth.

3. SAMUEL

I am the prophet **Samuel**. My name means “heard of God.” From the time I was a little boy, I served God with the high priest in the tabernacle, where I studied God’s law. My people had fallen far away from God. They worshiped idols and followed many pagan customs. Prophecy was scarce when God called me to speak for Him to Israel. Listen to His message:

“If you return to the Lord with all your heart, remove the foreign gods from among you and direct your hearts to the Lord and serve Him alone; He will deliver you.”

The sons of Israel did repent, but I realized that they needed to study God’s Word like I had, so I founded the schools of the prophets and prayed for a reformation.

4. ELIJAH

My name is **Elijah**. My name means “Yahweh is God.” I lived in the northern kingdom during a very dark period in Israel’s history. Most people remember me as the prophet who called down fire from heaven on Mount Carmel and departed earth in a chariot of fire. I also appeared with Jesus and Moses on the Mount of Transfiguration.

God used me to denounce wicked King Ahab and to expose the apostasy of Israel. It was a time that called for great courage and miracles in order to awaken immoral Israel to return to the Lord. Listen to what the prophet Malachi prophesied about my return to earth:

“Behold I am sending you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord. He will restore the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the land with a curse.”

5. JOEL

I am the prophet **Joel**. My name means “the Lord is God.” I lived in the southern kingdom of Judah. God gave me a threefold vision. He used locusts to illustrate His serious judgment against Judah and also to portray the ushering in of “the great and awesome day of the Lord” at the end of the age. Listen to portions of my prophecies for three future:

“Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is near and it will come as destruction from the Almighty.”

“And it shall be in the last days,” God says, “that I shall pour forth of My Spirit upon all mankind, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.”

“God will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, blood, fire, and columns of smoke. The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes.”

6. JONAH

I am the prophet **JONAH**. My name means “dove.” I lived in the northern kingdom. I did run from God’s assignment, because I didn’t want evil Nineveh to be preserved, but God had a plan for Assyria.

When I repented, God delivered me from belly of the great fish. I realized that I could not run away from God. He was with me wherever I went. Here is what God asked me: “Should I not have compassion on Nineveh, the great city in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know the difference between their right and left hand, as well as many animals?”

I did prophesy to Nineveh and all the people, including the king, repented. Even the animals were covered with sackcloth. I learned that God’s mercy extends to all nations and peoples!

7. ISAIAH

I am the prophet **ISAIAH**. My name means “God is salvation.” I lived in Jerusalem, Judah during the Age of Prophecy. My prophetic ministry began with an extraordinary vision in which I saw the Lord seated on His throne. It captured His majesty and glory and convicted me of my unclean lips. I heard the Lord say, “Who will go for Us?” and I answered, “Here am I. Send me!” I am now called the Herald of the Messiah because God gave me so many prophecies of Jesus Christ. Here is one of my favorites:

“For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom to establish it and to uphold with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.”

8. HABAKKUK

I am the prophet **HABAKKUK**. My name means “embracer.” I lived in Jerusalem, Judah, It was after the northern kingdom was devastated by the Assyrians. My people had witnessed Israel’s captivity and yet they continued to worship other gods. God gave me a strong message that His judgment was coming, and that Judah would be deported into exile in Babylon. I was very upset that God had allowed evil to continue and challenged His plan. God explained that He was at work to bring His Gospel plan to fruition, and that the righteous must live by his faith and trust that God would care for him in the midst of calamity and distress. God is sovereign and disposes all events in His timing. Here is a portion of the prophecy:

“For the vision is yet for the appointed time; It hastens toward the goal and it will not fail. Though it tarries, wait for it; For it will certainly come, it will not delay. Behold, as for the proud one, His soul is not right within him; But the righteous will live by his faith.”

9. JEREMIAH

I am the prophet **JEREMIAH**. My name means “the Lord exalts.” I was born in the southern kingdom of Judah. I lived during the captivity and deportation of my people to Babylon. I was the only prophet to record an eyewitness account of that invasion, after which I was sent to Egypt where I died. I suffered much persecution, beatings, and imprisonment. As a man of sorrows, many consider me a type of Christ in the Old Testament. Hearken to the word of the Lord:

“Behold, days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, not like the covenant which I made with their fathers...But this is the covenant which I will make,...” declares the Lord, “I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people....They will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares the Lord, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

10. EZEKIEL

I am the prophet **EZEKIEL**. My name means “God strengthens.” I was born in Jerusalem but later deported to Babylon, where I became the prophet to the exiles. There were many false prophets at this time, so I was very unpopular. I received extraordinary visions and manifestations of God’s glory, which made it difficult for me to describe. The essence of these visions was the message of the departure of God’s glory from Jerusalem and its future return. Listen to the description of the glory of the Lord that I saw:

“There was something resembling a throne, like lapis lazuli in appearance; and on that which resembled a throne, high up, was a figure with the appearance of a man. Then I noticed from the appearance of His loins and upward something like glowing metal that looked like fire all around within it, and from His loins and downward I saw something like fire; and there was a radiance around Him. As the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the surrounding radiance. Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And when I saw it, I fell on my face.”

11. DANIEL

I am the prophet **DANIEL**. My name means “God is my judge.” I was educated in the world’s greatest school of wisdom when I was taught the Law of Moses as a young boy. Knowledge of God’s living Word has guided all my decisions and delivered me from the demands of a pagan culture. God gave me favor with kings and political leaders. My interpretation of visions and dreams convicted many kings and foreign leaders and brought them to an acknowledgement of the living God.

The Lord showed me that “the people who know their God will display strength and take action, and those who have insight among the people will give understanding to the many...They will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

12. ZECHARIAH

I am the prophet **ZECHARIAH**. My name means “the Lord remembers.” I lived in Jerusalem after King Cyrus set us free to return home to Jerusalem. As a priest God used me to prophesy to those rebuilding the temple and to the remnant who had not heard the Word of God for nearly 100 years. I wanted them to know that God remembers His covenant and will eventually fulfill all His promises. This message brought great hope to the post-exilic Jews. God also gave me two messages that dramatically portray His return to His people and the establishment of His kingdom here on earth. I know that in the end times, the Messiah will finally be recognized by the Jewish people. Listen to the word of the Lord:

“I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn.”

13. MALACHI

I am the prophet **MALACHI**. My name means “My messenger.” I lived in post-exilic Jerusalem. After the temple was restored, Jerusalem’s wall was rebuilt, and Ezra re-established God’s Word, revival broke out. Sadly, it did not last long and the Jews’ love for God died. This is what hardened their hearts and was the sin that hurt God’s heart the most. The grandeur of the nation perished. The priests corrupted the covenant and prophetic voices were silent. Only an external formality of religion existed and all that God had done for them was forgotten and became a curse to the nation.

My prophecies would be the last messages from God for 400 years. Listen to God’s final words: “Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord. He will restore the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of the children to their fathers, so that I will not come and smite the land with a curse.”

14. JOHN THE BAPTIST

I am the prophet **JOHN THE BAPTIST**. My name means “God is gracious.” I lived in Judea during the reign of Herod the Great and his wicked son, Herod the Tetrarch. God anointed me a prophet while yet in my mother’s womb for the high calling of preparing the world for the ministry of our beloved Savior and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. I am called His forerunner, as I came preaching repentance and baptizing disciples in the Jordan River.

I even had the glorious experience of baptizing Jesus as He entered His ministry. When He approached me, I prophesied, “Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.” As Jesus came up out of the water, I saw the Holy Spirit descend as a dove from heaven and remain upon Him. Then God spoke from heaven, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.” I baptized with water, but Jesus baptizes in the Holy Spirit. It wasn’t long after His ministry began that I was persecuted, imprisoned, and killed by Herod the Tetrarch.

15. JESUS CHRIST

I am portraying **JESUS CHRIST**, the long-awaited Messiah. The prophets of old foretold that one day Jesus would fulfill God's covenant with Abraham and all that Israel had foreshadowed. God the Father loved the world so much that He sent His Son, the eternal Word, and supernaturally clothed Him with human flesh. It was written by the disciple John: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory."

Jesus accomplished His mission and paid the price of mankind's sin with the shedding of His blood on the cross and His resurrection. He also fulfilled the offices of Prophet, Priest, and King. He will soon return as the victorious King of kings to set up His kingdom on earth, just as the ancient prophets foretold.

Hearken to His words: "The Son of Man is going to come in His Father's glory with His angels, and then He will reward each person according to what he has done."