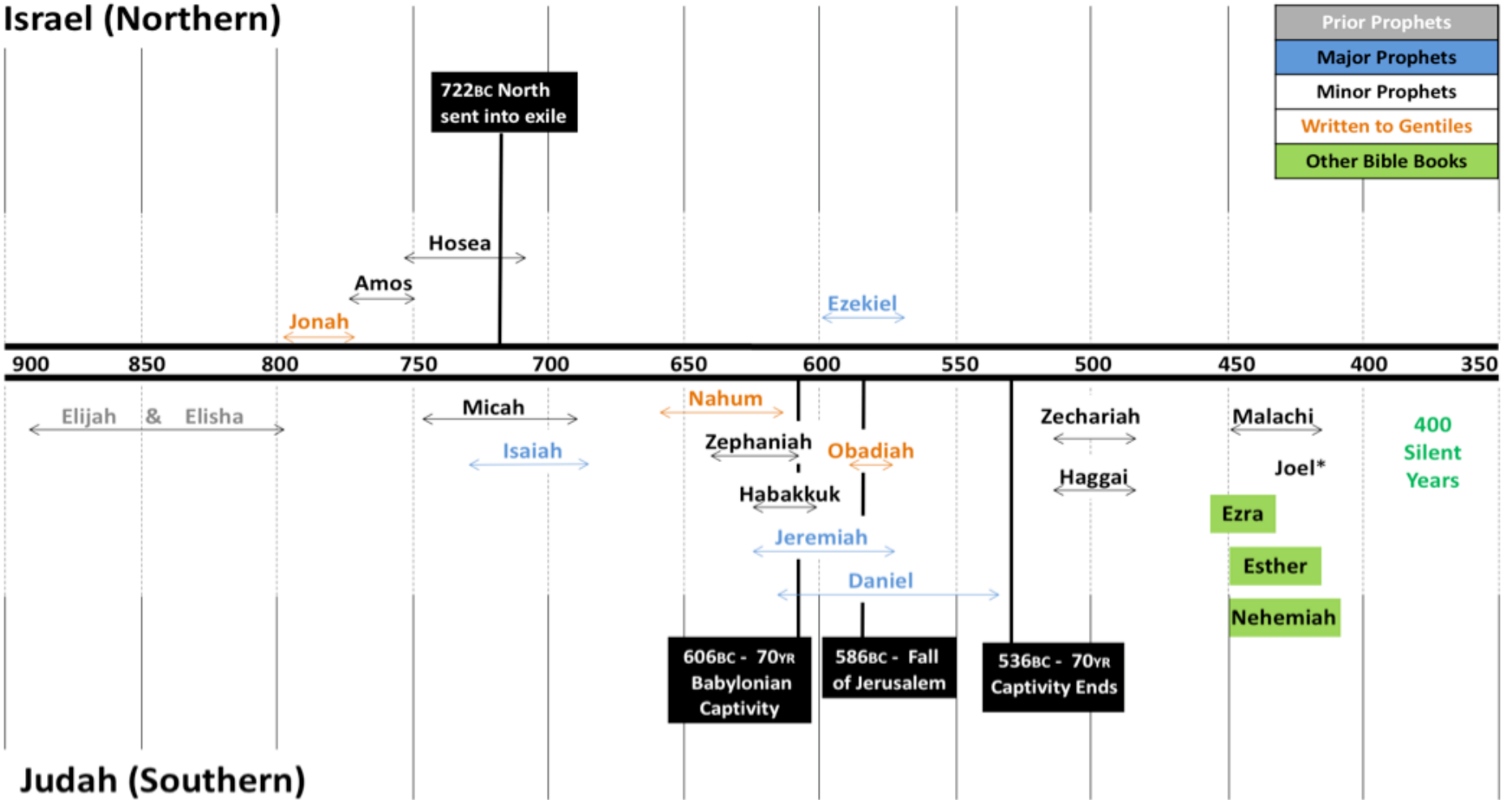




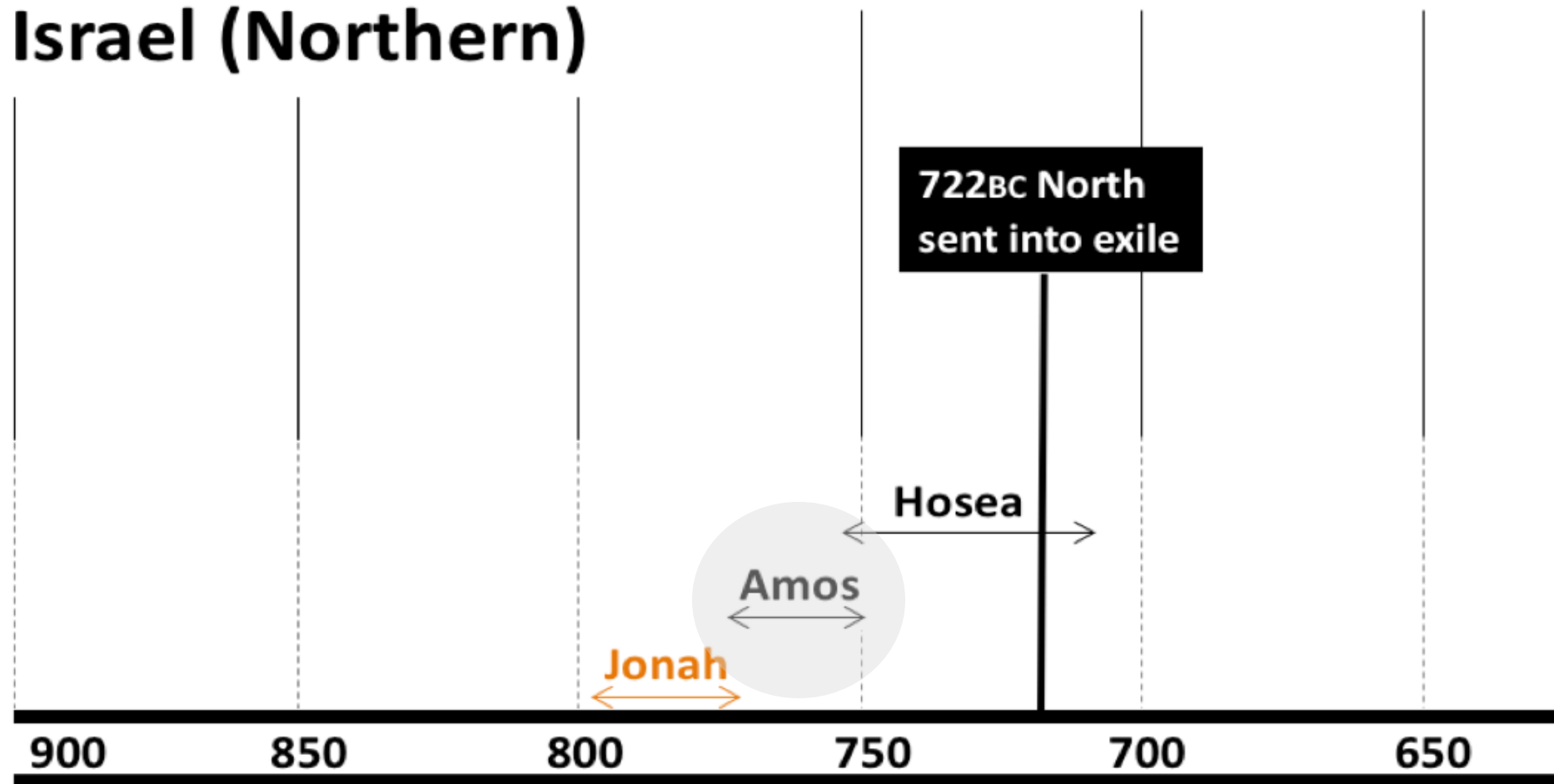
Minor
Prophets

Israel (Northern)



*The date of Joel is anywhere between 800-400bc.

Israel (Northern)





Yarkon River

Aphek

Shiloh

ISRAEL
(northern kingdom)

Bethel

Jericho

Gezer

Aijalon

Mizpah

36 miles

Ekron

Jerusalem

Beth-shemesh

Bethlehem

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JUDAH

Tekoa

Jordan River

Key Words/Phrases

- Thus says the Lord (14x)
- Transgression/s & Sin (12x)
 - Poor (5x) & Needy (5x)
 - Fire (9x) & Devour (8x)
- Seek (5x) & Return (5x)

Key Locations

- Dan
- Bethel
- Gilgal



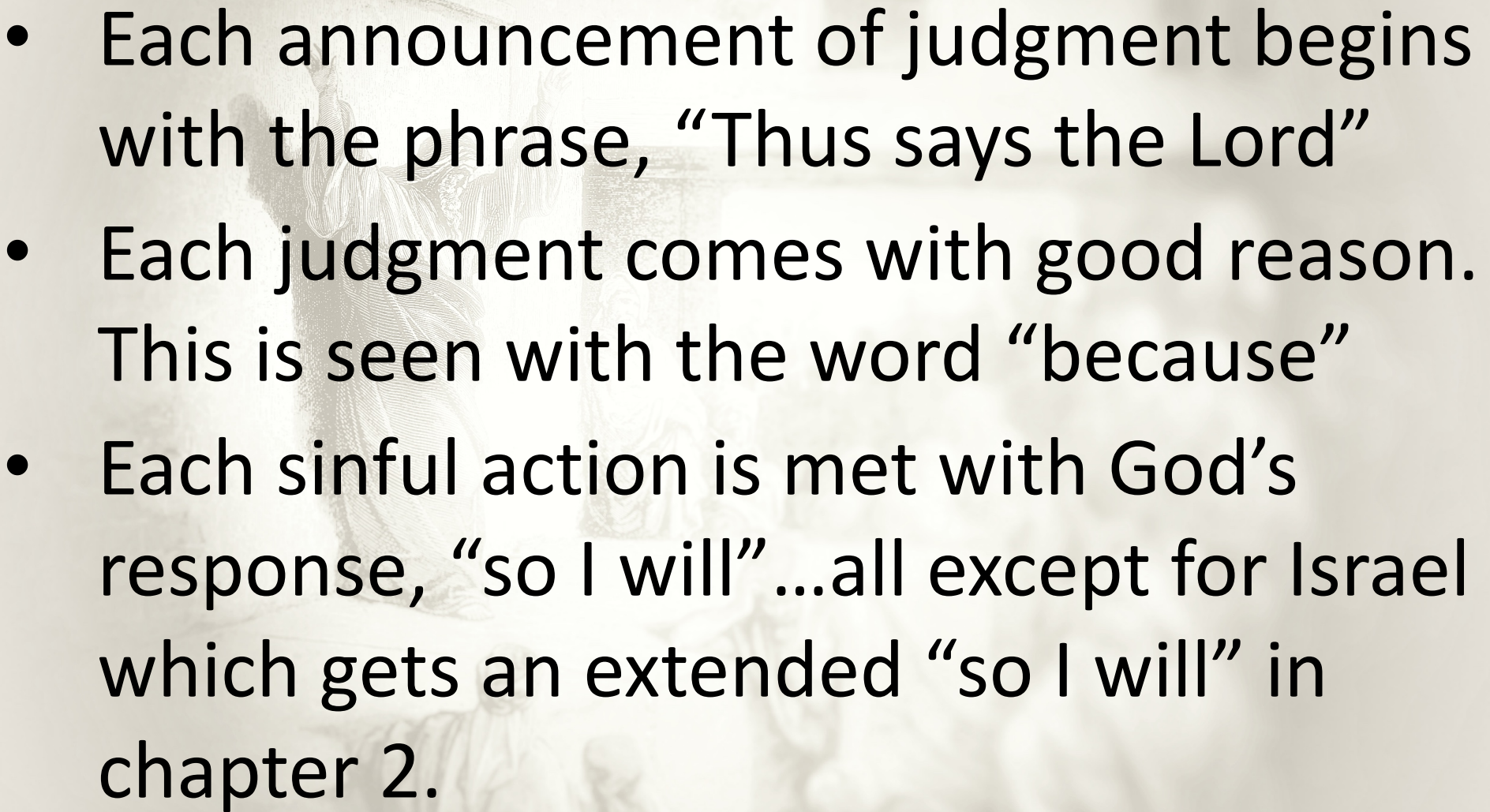
What Happens in Amos?

1. Judgment of 8 Nations (1-2)
2. Three Proclamations of Judgment on Israel (3-6)
3. 5 Visions (7-9)
4. Hope (9)

*Remnant – 3:12, 5:3, 9:8

1. Damascus (1:3-5)
2. Gaza/Philistia (1:6-8)
3. Tyre (1:9-10)
4. Edom (1:11-12)
5. Ammon (1:13-15)
6. Moab (2:1-3)
7. Judah (2:4-5)
8. Israel (2:6-16)



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- Each announcement of judgment begins with the phrase, “Thus says the Lord”
 - Each judgment comes with good reason. This is seen with the word “because”
 - Each sinful action is met with God’s response, “so I will” ...all except for Israel which gets an extended “so I will” in chapter 2.

Transgressions of Israel

- Slavery (2:6)
- Greed (2:6)
- Immorality (2:7)
- Made others break their vows (2:11)
- Told prophets to stop speaking (2:12)
- Idolatry (3:14)
- Oppressed the poor (4:1)

Proclamation 1: Judgment Is Coming (ch3)

- God brought them out of Egypt and brought them into a special relationship (3:1-2)
- God invites the nations to watch (3:9-11)
- A remnant will remain (3:12)
- The judgment of God will start in Bethel (3:14) and their life of ease and opulence will cease (3:15)

Proclamation 2: Judgment Is Deserved (ch4)

- Exhibit A: Evil Women (4:1-3)
- Exhibit B: Blatant Idolatry (4:5-7)
- Exhibit C: Their refusal to return to the Lord (4:6-13)
 - “You did not return to me” (4:6, 8, 9, 10, 11)
 - “Therefore...prepare to meet your God” (4:12)

Proclamation 3: Judgment Is Rolling (ch5-6)

- Only a remnant will remain (5:3)
- God extends another offer of Grace (5:4-15)
- Judgment rolls down like water (5:18-24)
- Judgment targets the lazy - who indulge in pleasure and find their security in themselves (6:1-14)

Five Visions

- 1. Famine (7:1-3)**
- 2. Great Fire (7:4-6)**
- 3. Plumb Line (7:7-9)**
- Small Interlude – Amos vs Amaziah**
- 4. Fruit Basket (8:1-14)**
- 5. God at the Alter (9:1-10)**

*Each one starts with “he showed me” except #5

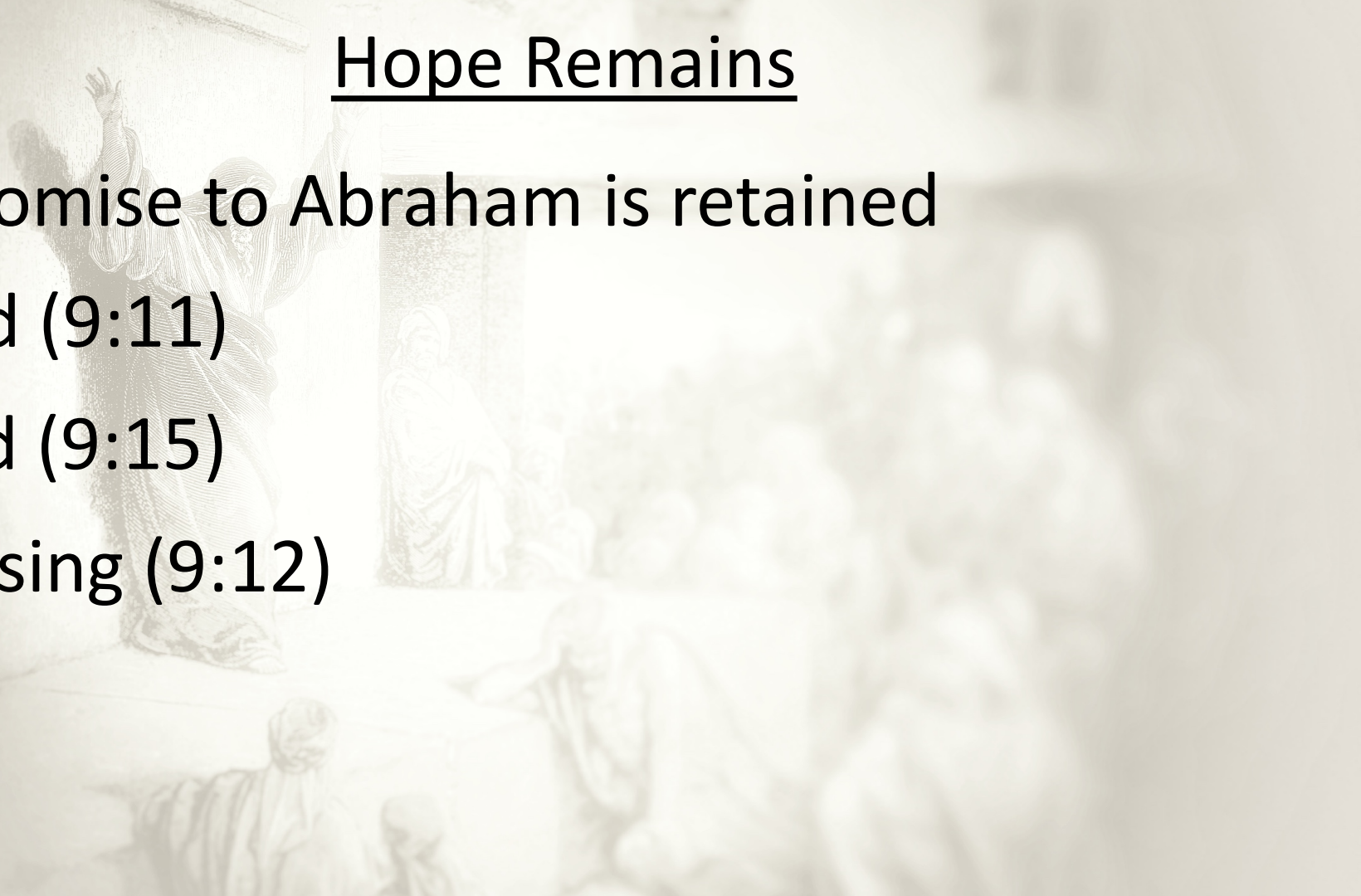
Hope Remains

- Though destruction is coming, they will not be completely destroyed (9:8)
- The throne of David will be **restored** (9:11)
- Food & it's abundance is **restored** (9:13-14)
- A return to the land (9:15)

Hope Remains

The promise to Abraham is retained

- Seed (9:11)
- Land (9:15)
- Blessing (9:12)





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