

PROPHETESSES OF THE OLD COVENANT (#1)

Request: I read in Luke 2:36 that Anna was a Jewish prophetess. Could you explain her role as a prophetess?

The Hebrew word for prophetess is (nebiah). The Greek word is (prophetis). These biblical words refer to someone who announces or declares the truth of God's word.

- A prophetess could be someone who foretold of coming events in the plan of God or someone who gave inspired messages of truth.

Prophetesses are mentioned in both the Old Covenant and the New Covenant.

**Today's lesson will introduce you to six recorded prophetesses of the Old Covenant
in their order of biblical history.**

1. Miriam

Lived in 15th century BC (Ex.2:4-7; 15:20-21; Num.26:59; Num.11:25; 12:1-8; Micah 6:4).

2. Deborah

The 4th judge of Israel lived in 12th century BC (Judges 4:1-4, 9-10, 17-21).

3. Isaiah's second wife was called a prophetess or wife of prophet.

Lived in the 8th century BC and was associated with the prophecy of Immanuel (Isa.7:1, 14; Matt.1:21-23; Isa.8:1-15; 1 Pet.2:6-8; Rom.9:33) (Maher-Shalah-Hash-Baz) [quick to plunder].

4. Huldah

Lived in the 7th century BC during the reign of King Josiah (2 Kings 22:1-20, 2 Chron.34:8-32).

5. Noahiah

Lived in the 5th century BC during the rebuilding of the walls under leadership of Nehemiah. (Neh.2:10, 19-20; 4:1-9; 6:1-4, 14).

6. Anna

Lived in the 1st century AD and was associated with the birth of Jesus Christ (Luke 2:36-38).