



MOSES

1526–1406 BCE

Moses was one of the most important people in the Old Testament. God chose him to lead Israel out of slavery in Egypt and gave to him the Old Testament law.



DEBORAH

1217–1178 BCE

Deborah was the only woman to lead Israel in the Book of Judges. She prophesied victory in battle, and her song is maybe the oldest part of the whole Bible.



ELIJAH

740–686 BCE

Elijah was a very famous prophet, who the Bible says was taken up to heaven in a fiery chariot. He appeared with Moses at Jesus' Transfiguration.



ELISHA

872–796 BCE

Elisha was Elijah's disciple and successor. He is recorded as having performed twice as many miracles as Elijah!



SAMUEL

1060–1012 BCE

Samuel was the son of Hannah. He was a judge (ruler) of Israel as well as a prophet. He made Saul the first King of Israel, and then made David King after Saul sinned.



EZEKIEL

593–571 BCE

Ezekiel was a priest as well as a prophet, who began his work in exile near Babylon. He saw many extraordinary visions, which are recorded in the book named after him.



AMOS

760–755 BCE

Amos was a shepherd in the southern Kingdom of Judah until God called him to preach a message of social justice to the northern Kingdom of Israel.



ISAIAH

740–686 BCE

Isaiah was an important prophet who offered consolation and hope during a difficult time for his people. He spoke often about the coming Messiah, and is quoted a lot in the New Testament.



JEREMIAH

629–587 BCE

Jeremiah was a prophet who worked with Baruch during the final years of the Kingdom of Judah. He is called the weeping prophet, because of the many difficulties he faced.



DANIEL

604–536 BCE

In exile in Babylon, Daniel served the King of Babylon whilst remaining true to God and the law. Like Isaiah, Daniel wrote about the coming Messiah or Son of Man.



JOHN THE BAPTIST

3 BCE–32 AD

John the Baptist was born in his mother Elizabeth's old age. He preached about Jesus as the Messiah and Lamb of God, and baptised him in the river Jordan.



MICAH

737–687 BCE

Micah wrote many of his prophecies to criticise the state of Jerusalem in his time. He also prophesied where the Messiah would be born: Bethlehem.



SIMEON

Exact dates unknown

Simeon was a holy man, who had been promised by God that he wouldn't die until he saw the Messiah. When Mary and Joseph took the baby Jesus to the Temple, the prophecy was fulfilled.



ANNA

86 BCE–2 AD

Anna spent much of her life in the Jerusalem Temple, praying and fasting. She was elderly when the Holy Family came to the Temple. She then went around Jerusalem telling people about Jesus.

