

Minor Prophets, Major Message

Series Round-up.

Welcome (10 mins)

Where have you been that you would most like to go back to?

Worship (10min)

Spend some time giving thanks for the simple things in your life, and for each other. What answers to prayer have there been in your group to thank God for over this half term?

Word (30 min)

Set the scene:

This is our final session with the minor prophets. As it's the last, and many groups won't be meeting, this is intended to be light and just touch on Malachi pt 2. The main purpose is to round off the series and give a chance to solidify some of the ideas.

Looking back:

Over three books we've looked at various tricky and challenging questions. These are the major messages we still need to hear and consider. These are summarised below.

1. You've forgotten God and are prioritising your own comfort (Haggai ch 1)
2. There's hope, if you're faithful (Haggai ch 2)
3. God's blessing is rich and *will* come. (Zechariah ch 8)
4. The people's leadership is a miserable imitation of the Good Shepherd (Zechariah ch 11)
5. Our worship must honour our God (Malachi ch 1)
6. Return to me and I will return to you. (Malachi ch 3)

Q) Which of these statements strikes a note with you? Is it an encouragement or a challenge?

Q) If you were to remember just one thing (sentence, idea, picture, verse) from this whole series what would it be?

Looking forward:

Q) Is there anything you would like to do differently because of the major messages?

Q) How open are you to hear the message of God? What would you like to pray for?

Witness

Pray into the discussions you've had, and for us as a church to keep being open to God and his challenge and blessing.