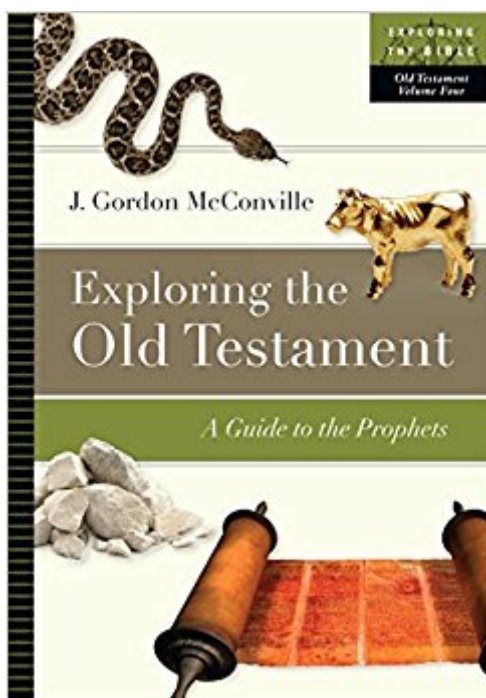


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# Exploring The Old Testament: A Guide To The Prophets (Exploring The Bible)



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"Highly recommended for community library theology collections." (James A. Cox, The Midwest Book Review, July 2008)

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J. G. Millar, JSOT Press) and Judgment and Promise: An Introduction to the Book of Jeremiah (Apollos).

Was as expected.

I liked the breakdown of this book with each prophet getting his own chapter. Each Chapter contains a brief history and setting as well as information about authorship, date and so on. There are also "Think about" and "Digging Deeper" segments in the book which focuses on certain themes individually thus allowing the reader to go deeper with his or her study instead of just reading the facts. The great advantage of this book is the further reading bibliography found at the back of each chapter which provides the reader with the opportunity to take his or her study of a specific prophet to a greater degree if he or she wishes.

Useful resource for Old Testament survey that assists undergraduate students be introduced to issues of contemporary scholarship. Approaches the biblical text with respect whilst remaining open to a range of perspectives. Emphasis is on assisting users of the resource to engage in a dialogical approach to their learning.

this makes minor prophet study a bit easy. It gives historical and theological facts pertinent to each book.

I enjoyed some of the information presented in this book, but overall the writing style was rather dry and not very engaging. I would recommend this book to someone who wants to study more in depth about this subject, but that has the patience to wade through the areas where it tries to put you to sleep.

Great!

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