

# The Role of Prophets in the Old Testament

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## 1. What does the Greek word 'Prophet' mean?

- A) Messenger
- B) Seer**
- C) Teacher
- D) Priest

## 2. What is the primary role of a prophet according to the text?

- A) To advise kings on political matters
- B) To remind people of God's will and urge change**
- C) To perform religious rituals
- D) To record historical events

## 3. With which people did God make a covenant and give commandments at Mount Sinai?

- A) The Egyptians
- B) The Romans
- C) The people of Israel**
- D) The Philistines

## 4. What did prophets warn people about if they did not obey God's will?

- A) Natural disasters
- B) Economic hardship
- C) The coming judgment of God**
- D) War with neighboring nations

## 5. What were 'professional prophets' (Berufspropheten) often characterized by?

- A) Delivering unwelcome truths
- B) Speaking to please their patrons**
- C) Acting as individuals
- D) Warning the people of God's judgment

## 6. How did 'God-called prophets' (von Gott berufene Propheten) typically act?

- A) In groups
- B) As courtiers
- C) As individuals**
- D) As advisors to kings

**7. What was the nature of the message delivered by 'God-called prophets'?**

- A) Comforting and easy
- B) Challenging and urging repentance**
- C) Focused on future political events
- D) Primarily historical accounts

**8. What often occurred between professional prophets and God-called prophets?**

- A) Cooperation
- B) Disagreements and conflicts**
- C) Mutual admiration
- D) Ignoring each other

**9. According to the text, were only men called by God to be prophets?**

- A) Yes, only men were prophets.
- B) No, women also had the task of warning the people.**
- C) The text does not mention women prophets.
- D) Only male prophets are mentioned in the Bible.

**10. What was the function of prophetesses mentioned in the text?**

- A) To sing songs of praise
- B) To warn the people against transgressing the law**
- C) To record royal decrees
- D) To lead military campaigns

**11. King Ahab had how many professional prophets at his court?**

- A) 45
- B) 450**
- C) 400
- D) 50

**12. Between which centuries did many court prophets exist in Israel?**

- A) 1st and 5th century BC
- B) 9th and 6th century BC**
- C) 15th and 12th century BC
- D) 3rd and 1st century BC