

Amos and Hosea (OT206)

Australian College of Theology name: *Pre-Exilic Prophets*

Unit Description

What was it like to be a prophet to a people who were rebelling against God? How did God communicate through these two prophets? Do they still have wisdom for us today? Explore these two Old Testament books in some detail and learn how to interpret them.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this unit, you will:

A. *Know and understand:*

1. The contents and structure of two of Isaiah, Amos, Hosea, and Jeremiah
2. The themes and theological teaching of the selected books
3. The nature and basic methods of Old Testament exegesis

B. *Be able to:*

1. Use sources such as biblical and theological dictionaries, commentaries and online resources
2. Recognise literary form and structure
3. Identify matters relating to authorship, date and purpose
4. Describe the historical, religious and socio-cultural background
5. Relate the text to the literary and canonical contexts
6. Comment on the meaning of significant words and phrases
7. Outline the contents and theology
8. Exegete the English text of a selection of passages from the selected books

C. *Be in a position to:*

1. Exegete the English text of the selected books for personal understanding and for use in ministry contexts

Prescribed Texts

1. Isaiah 1–2, 5–10
2. Amos
3. Hosea 1–4, 7, 11–14
4. Jeremiah 1–3, 26–28, 31–33

You will complete any **two** of 1, 2, 3, 4.