



# Thoughts on a faith influenced by the prophets

What emphasis do you anticipate in today's study?

We generally associate the prophets with \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ .

- The prophets gave the New Testament writers images of Jesus.
- The prophets anticipated calamity with some of Israel's and Judah's political moves.
- The prophets anticipated a day when the Lord would vindicate his own.

But the prophets also were...

- Remarkably skilled and insightful as preachers
- Burdened to share a perspective from God
- Courageous in speaking truth to power
- Gifted with deep \_\_\_\_\_ that led to \_\_\_\_\_.

As evangelicals, our understanding of Christianity tends to be shaped by two factors:

1) Personal faith in Jesus; and

2) \_\_\_\_\_

So-called "Mainline" denominations include:

3) \_\_\_\_\_ faith.

A concern of "liberal" churches?

A faith influenced by the Prophets includes:

- A knowledge of God through a personal \_\_\_\_\_ with God

- A \_\_\_\_\_ sensitivity markedly \_\_\_\_\_ in its reference
- A ready moral \_\_\_\_\_ of the heart and will to God's direction

Two prevailing concepts in the prophets:

1) Justice

2) Righteousness

An iconic, poetic description of justice and righteousness (Amos 5:18-24)

BONUS: Why many Christians have failed on the matter of race