

# The Oral Prophets

The oral prophets in the Old Testament are so-called to distinguish them from the prophets who wrote the books. Thus, they are known for speaking their prophecies rather than writing them down. Five of the leading ones are mentioned below.



**SAMUEL**  
**NATHAN**  
**ABIJAH**  
**ELIJAH**  
**ELISHA**

“The word of the Lord  
came to the prophet.”

2 Samuel 24:11

## ➡ **SAMUEL**

Organizer of the United Kingdom and  
founder of a school of prophets

## ➡ **NATHAN**

Adviser to King David

## ➡ **ABIJAH**

Adviser to King Jeroboam

## ➡ **ELIJAH**

Led in the fight against the worship  
of Baal

## ➡ **ELISHA**

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