

p. 96 Unhistorically Abraham is called a prophet in Gen. 20.7, Moses in Deut. 18.15; 34.10; Hos. 12.14, Miriam in Ex. 15.20. 'Prophet' in these passages is not a precise term, but taken in a loose sense, referring to a supernormal endowment. Deborah is in Judges 4.4 called a prophetess, but her historical position is not quite clear because it is impossible to distinguish between the oldest tradition and later additions to it; cf. Jepsen, Nabi, p. 151, note 2. I agree with Holscher in believing that Deborah originally belonged rather to the old seer type. She used to sit under a holy tree delivering her directions.