Categories and functions of prophets in the Deuteronomistic History

Moses and "a prophet like Moses": one who listens to YHWH and leads the peo-

ple to liberation from oppression

Samuel: a bridge figure between judges, prophets

and kings

"free" prophets: individuals or bands who engage in both ec-

static experiences and expressions of

YHWH's word and often oppose kings, such

as Elijah, Elisha, or Micaiah

Royal prophets: like Nathan to David or Isaiah to Hezekiah,

who serve the monarch and the state

"outsider" prophets: like the prophets of Baal who serve other

gods than YHWH