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1 recognized by the Jews as a divine prophet.
 2 It was God's plan that a period of about 400
 3 years should thus elapse between the great
 4 prophetic movement of the OT and the new
 5 prophets connected with the coming of Christ and
 6 described in the NT.

7 Critical books suggest a reason for the end
 8 of the prophetic movement. They say that the
 9 prophetic movement came to an end because its
 10 predictions that God would protect His land and
 11 not allow the people to be taken into exile had
 12 been proven false. This theory is contradicted
 13 by the following facts: (1) Although false
 14 prophets did indeed predict that God would not
 15 permit His people to go into exile, such an
 16 attitude can hardly be said to be characteristic
 17 of the prophetic movement. In fact, Jeremiah
 18 and Ezekiel who have always been recognized as
 19 two of the greatest prophets, repeatedly
 20 declared that the nation would go into exile and
 21 that Jerusalem would be destroyed. (2) The
 22 prophetic movement was active and vital for a
 23 considerable time after the return from exile
 24 and the rebuilding of the temple was facilitated
 25 by the prophesying of Haggai and Zechariah (Ezra

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