

of past history. Why recapitulate it. To show the contrast to the way the people are behaving now. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ God had blessed them in the past, then why are you serving Him rightly now? Why ~~ix~~ have you turned away from a God who has done these wonderful things for you in the past. It is a portion of a rebuke, and introductory to a rebuke. The rebuke actually ~~xxxx~~ comes in verse 5. but the previous verses have to be interpreted in the light of them. So, I would say rightly, rebuke is the purpose of 2 to 5, but I couldn't ~~xy~~ say that if I just said 2 to 5, I would have to read verse 6.

(question) Verse 2. What love was it that was shown in the wilderness when they went into a land not sown, a place where there was no fruit. The love was that God supplied the manna, that God took care of them. The phrase alone you couldn't be sure whether it is their love to God or God's love to them. But I think it is quite clear that the love shown in the wilderness is God's love to them. How He blessed Israel in the wilderness. How He ~~x~~ has shown them this marvellous love in a land where they couldn't ~~xxxx~~ get things to eat that grew ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ because nothing grew there. But God provided. This verse is showing to that thing, the wonderful love that God has shown in in His watch care over Israel ~~xxxxix~~ through all these years. And why have they turned away from him. It is rebuke to a people who are not requiting His love as they should. But...(end of record)

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Do you find any prediction of the future? What? All that devour him shall offend,
/evil shall come upon them, saith the Lord. that is the ~~xxxxxxxxix~~ specific precise prediction of the future. God is saying that I have so loved Israel in the past that I have established a principles in the past which still is true, and continues into the future. That those that devour Israel will offend, and evil will come upon them. And you can trace it through the ages, the way God has avenged mistreatment of Israel. You can trace it through the ages. You can see how God has punished them, ~~xxxx~~ who have mistreated Israel.

(question) It was a prediction made, in the first place, and then fulfilled, but I think that you would still say that it is a prediction, it still is held.