The Minor Prophets

Nahum – "Comfort"

Please pray and ask the Lord for understanding of His Word before you begin.

Nahum chapters 2 and 3

Chapter 2

As you read this chapter note the detail being given of this coming destruction. Nahum was describing everything he saw in the vision God gave him including the sounds!

1. Look at verse 6. According to archeology at the site, Nineveh was located at the confluence of the Tigris River and two smaller rivers, so dams were built to hold back the water when the rivers were at flood level. Some believe that the gates in the dams were opened somehow which allowed the water to erode the base of the walls around the city giving the Medes and Babylonians access to the city through a breach in the walls.

a. What does this say about Nahum's prophecy?

b. When you realize how much of prophecy in the Bible has been fulfilled, how should we look at the ones that are not yet fulfilled?

c. What would you say to someone who scoffs at the prophecy that speaks of Jesus' soon return?

2. Look at verse 13 along with Hebrews 10:31. What do you learn?

Chapter 3

3. In verses 1-4 Nahum tours the city in his vision. What does he see that would be a reason for judgment from God?

4. Verses 8-10 describe what Assyria did to the city of Thebes (No Amon) in 663 B.C.

a. What do you learn in verses 11-13?

5. Read verses 14-16. What is God telling them?

6. We see that with the passing of time before the prophecy of Nahum was fulfilled that God is indeed slow to anger. We see the evil that is rampant in our world today and we wonder "how long, oh Lord?" Read Psalm 73. Does this help you to be patient and wait on the Lord?

"For yet a little while, and He who is coming will come and will not tarry." Hebrews 10:37