

The Minor Prophets

Nahum – “Comfort”

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

Read Nahum chapter 1

The Lord is slow to anger

Nahum’s prophecy to Nineveh came in a vision about 100 years after Jonah warned the Ninevites of impending judgment. We learned the people repented after hearing Jonah and God spared them. But this time there would be no reprieve. It took another 50 or so years before judgment came at the hands of the Babylonians with help from the flood described in verse 8 that undermined the great walls of the city.

1. Read verses 1-7 and write down what you learn about God in these verses.
 - a. Do any of these attributes change or add to your understanding of God?
2. Explain the difference between human jealousy and God’s jealousy.
 - a. Give an example of jealousy that is sinful.
 - b. Give an example of jealousy that is virtuous.
3. As you read verses 2-6 and think about the terrible things that are going on in our nation do you find comfort here, and if the answer is yes, why?
4. Look at verse 7 along with Psalm 27:5 and Psalm 62:5-8. It might seem strange to see this verse in the middle of the description of God’s punishment that is coming.
 - a. What do you learn about God in these verses?
 - b. Why is this important for us to remember, especially when punishment is being given out by God?

5. Read verses 12, 13 and 15 along with Isaiah 52:7 and Romans 10:15.

- a. Is there a relationship between these verses?
- b. What is God telling Judah?
- c. Give examples of “beautiful feet” in the church today.

Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.”

2 Timothy 2:19