



Nahum 1

Open with prayer

Bible Reading: Nahum 1 New International Version - UK (NIVUK)

1 A prophecy concerning Nineveh.

The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

The LORD's anger against Nineveh

²The LORD is a jealous and avenging God;
the LORD takes vengeance and is filled with wrath.

The LORD takes vengeance on his foes
and vents his wrath against his enemies.

³The LORD is slow to anger but great in power;
the LORD will not leave the guilty unpunished.

His way is in the whirlwind and the storm,
and clouds are the dust of his feet.

⁴He rebukes the sea and dries it up;
he makes all the rivers run dry.
Bashan and Carmel wither
and the blossoms of Lebanon fade.

⁵The mountains quake before him
and the hills melt away.

The earth trembles at his presence,
the world and all who live in it.

⁶Who can withstand his indignation?
Who can endure his fierce anger?
His wrath is poured out like fire;
the rocks are shattered before him.

⁷The LORD is good,
a refuge in times of trouble.
He cares for those who trust in him,
⁸ but with an overwhelming flood
he will make an end of Nineveh;
he will pursue his foes into the realm of darkness.
⁹Whatever they plot against the LORD
he will bring to an end;
trouble will not come a second time.
¹⁰They will be entangled among thorns
and drunk from their wine;
they will be consumed like dry stubble.
¹¹From you, Nineveh, has one come forth
who plots evil against the LORD
and devises wicked plans.
¹²This is what the LORD says:
'Although they have allies and are numerous,
they will be destroyed and pass away.
Although I have afflicted you, Judah,
I will afflict you no more.
¹³Now I will break their yoke from your neck
and tear your shackles away.'
¹⁴The LORD has given a command concerning you, Nineveh:
'You will have no descendants to bear your name.
I will destroy the images and idols
that are in the temple of your gods.
I will prepare your grave,
for you are vile.'
¹⁵Look, there on the mountains,
the feet of one who brings good news,
who proclaims peace!
Celebrate your festivals, Judah,
and fulfil your vows.
No more will the wicked invade you;
they will be completely destroyed.

Questions to consider.

- 1. Begin your discussion by asking a few people to share about one of the people God used to help them come to faith in Jesus.**
 1. Are there any common threads in these stories?
 2. Why do you think God uses people to tell other people about Him?
 3. What other ways does He work to bring people to Himself? 2.
- 2. Looking closer at the passage how does God act and why is this comforting for believers (Nahum 1)?**
- 3. Explain how a jealous God can be seen as a good God.**
- 4. How does the message of the book of Nahum point us to the gospel?**
- 5. Nahum 1:7 offers hope even in dark times. Share an example when you have felt that The Lord was a stronghold in your life during a time of trouble.**

Close with a time of prayer for those who you know are struggling and need Gods intervention in their lives

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