

Nahum notes

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John MacArthur mobile study bible: Nahum means "comfort" or "consolation and is a short form of Nehemiah ("comfort of Yahweh").

The Preachers commentary: Nahum an Elkoshite of the tribe of Simeon from the city of Elkosh.

The Preachers commentary and John MacArthur Mobile Study Bible: Nineveh's cruelty to the Israelites in their sinful pride. Study Bible: Nahum depicts the later execution of God's Judgement. The Tigris river over flowed to destroy enough of the walls to let the Babylonians through.

Simeon trust outline preparation to make the 4 points of the sermon.

Zondervan Illustrated Bible dictionary: The jealousy of GOD, When jealousy reflects concern for GOD'S honor, His Holy name; Jealousy in the negative- excessive for one's own self and what one fancies or desires. It may also involve resentment of the good fortune of another. It is inordinate self-centeredness or possessiveness.

James montgomery Boice:

Deut. 32:35; cf. Rom. 12:19

Rom. 3:10-18, Psalm 14:1-3, 53:1-3, Eccles. 7:20, Psalm 5:9, 140:3, 10:7, Isaiah 59:7-8, Psalm 36:1
How shall we escape? Turn to Jesus by faith and be saved.

God's judgement who can endure? Seas and rivers dry up, mountains quake, hills melt, His wrath like fire and rocks shatter.

The Lord is a refuge in times of trouble. God is good.

Psalm 9:9, Psalm 50:15

H.A. Ironside: God's goodness to His people.

Nineveh abused God's people and now put to an end.

The heart dissolves in fear and loses faith in trouble or temptation. 1 Corinth. 10: 13

Fall of Nineveh, annihilation, never to rise again. Triumph of Christ.

Yet He is good, a fortress in the day of trouble, "and He knoweth them that trust in Him"

His fierce and righteous anger who can withstand. For it is poured out like liquid fire that spreads and destroys. The hard hearts, like rocks in man are thrown down.

All creation must own His power, and all elements yield to His authority.

Exodus 34:5-7, Num. 21:6-9, John 3:14-15

Warning to the hard hearted with judgement to come. But to the believer in the whirlwind and storm and clouds are a sign of God's presence and comforted by faith.

Our enemies are His enemies, by faith that helps with our worry or anxieties.

Chapter 1 presents the eternal one as the rock and stay of those who confide in Him.

2 Thess. 1:6-10

John Calvin Commentary: Though GOD connives (to close eyes in sleep, turn a blind eye) at the wickedness of man? He will yet be the defender of His Glory. When he says that God keeps for His enemies, He means that vengeance is reserved for the unbelieving and despisers of God, He proclaims war against the Ninevites, because they had unjustly distressed the church of God. The Israelites might feel assured that this calamity was seriously announced.

They might have reasoned with themselves.

We are indeed cruelly harassed by our enemies; but who can think that God cares anything for our miseries, since He allows them so long to be unavenged?

God does not hasten so very quickly, there is no ground for us to think that He is indifferent,

because He delays His wrath or retains it, as we have already said; for it is the same thing to retain wrath, as to be the Lord of wrath and possess it.

Exodus 34; Psalm 18; Joel 3

Patently defers and suspends the punishment which the ungodly deserve.

Passage through the red sea is not here referred to; but that the object is to show in general how great is God's power in governing the whole world.

As soon as God shows His wrath, the rivers will dry up, the sea itself will become dry, and then the flowers will fade and the grass will wither.

All things will be reduced to solitude and desolation whenever God is angry.

As soon, then, as God is angry, the mountains melt like snow, and flow away like water.

His wrath like fire, is poured out consumes everything and as the earth quakes the rocks and building foundations are thrown down.

The heart of man, rock hard will be broken down or dissolved.

. Though God then is armed with vengeance against His enemies He yet ceases not to be like Himself, nor does He forget His goodness.

. Help the faithful, and in time alleviate their miseries.

. "God is ever ready to bring help to His people".

. He may subject His people to the cross and to troubles, He still helps them.

. God leaves many destitute who profess to believe in Him, He justly withholds from them His favor, for they do not from the heart call on Him or seek Him.

. Hypocrites may know that they are not assisted, because their profession is nothing else but hypocrisy, for they hope not sincerely in God, however they may falsely boast of His name.

Complete destruction with no recovery and rising up again. Complete darkness-nothing.

The Nature Of God, A.W. Pink: general mercy of God, extended not only to all men, believers and unbelievers alike, but also to the entire creation:"His tender mercies are over all his works"; He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things.

Grace Gems.org; Johnathan Edwards 1750: The cause and cure of earthquakes! God does not turn away in anger, dreadful darkness, mountains quake and the earth heaves, earthquakes and volcanoes appear with smoke and flames. Rocks are broken up and out comes the flames and smoke of His wrath.

The nature of GOD and Systematic theology Wayne Grudem: The wrath of GOD is a perfection of the divine character upon which we need to frequently meditate and God's wrath a character of GOD.

John MacArthur Mobile Study Bible: Nineveh's formidable walls around the city.

Blue Letter Bible cross referencing:

Verse 2: Rom. 12:19, 13:4, Deut. 32:35, Rom. 2:5-6, 2 Peter 2:9

Verse 3: Exo. 34:6-7, Psalm 103:8, 97:2-5, Matt. 26:64, Rev. 1:7

Verse 4: Matt. 8:26, Isaiah 19:5-10

Verse 5: Matt. 27:51, 28:2, Rev. 20:11

Verse 6: Jer. 10:10, Rev. 6:17, 16:1, 16:8

Verse 7: Lam. 3:35, Rom. 11:22, 1 John 4: 8-10, Psalm 18:1-2, 62:8, 84:11, 50:15, 86:17, 91:15, Isaiah 25:4, John 10:27, 2 Tim. 2:19, 2 Chron. 16:8-9, 32:21, Jer. 17:7-8

Verse 8: Matt. 7:27, 8:12 2 Peter 3:6-7, Isaiah 8:22, Jer. 13:16

Context:

This oracle of Nineveh by Nahum. Is a vision of the coming fall of Nineveh. Nineveh who repented and was spared from destruction by God thru Jonah the prophet. In Nineveh's turning from repentance after a century after Jonah's prophecy to them and gave repentance to God. Now Nineveh is facing a just destruction due to their pride and brutal wickedness. Nineveh is overthrown and destroyed.