

Nineveh - Nahum 1:1-3:19

Topics: Anger, Character, Death, Discipline, God, Greatness, Guilt, Idolatry, Oppressed, People, Power, Pride, Promises, Prophecy, Protection, Punishment, Sin, Strength, War

Open It

- * 1. When you are troubled, what are some of the most comforting words a friend can say to you?
- 2. If you suddenly had to flee your flooded home, what possessions would you have difficulty leaving behind?
- 3. When have you been enraged with someone else?

Explore It

- 4. Who was the author of the oracle? (1:1)
- * 5. How did Nahum describe the ways of the Lord? (1:2-8)
- 6. What would Nineveh receive from the Lord? (1:2-6,8)
- 7. What had Nineveh done against the Lord? (1:9-11)
- * 8. How would Judah's affliction end? (1:12-15)
- 9. How was Nineveh attacked? (2:1-6)
- 10. How did Nahum characterize Nineveh's immediate future? (2:7-13)
- * 11. Why did God judge Nineveh? (3:1-7)
- 12. How had Nineveh treated Thebes? (3:8-11)
- 13. Why were Nineveh's defense efforts useless? (3:12-19)
- 14. What was the ultimate destiny of Nineveh? (3:19)
- 15. How would people respond to Nineveh's destruction? (3:19)

Get It

- 16. Why is it appropriate for the Lord to express jealousy in His relationship with us?
- 17. When do you perceive God as threatening?
- 18. How does God view nations that seek recognition by aggressive and oppressive means?
- 19. When you think of God's judgment, what comes to mind?
- 20. When have you experienced God's support and power in the face of enemy oppression or attack?
- * 21. How has God cared for you?
- 22. How do the sins of our nation compare with Nineveh's pride, cruelty, selfishness, and lies?
- 23. What makes us safe in the Lord?
- 24. How can you be sure that God will protect and comfort you in the face of hardship?
- * 25. The name Nahum means comfort. How can Christians be a comfort to others in troubling circumstances?

Apply It

- * 26. To whom can you be a comfort or help? How?
- 27. What can you do to warn an individual or group that is in danger of God's judgment?