

# Zephaniah at a Glance

<b>The Day of the LORD</b>			
<b>Judgment</b>		<b>Restoration</b>	
1:1	3:8	3:9	3:20

## Zephaniah

Theme: The Day of the LORD

<b>Sweep &amp; Seek</b>			<b>Woe &amp; Joy</b>		
<b>Coming Universal Judgment</b>	<b>The Day of the LORD</b>	<b>Seek the LORD</b>	<b>Woe #1 Nations</b>	<b>Woe #2 Judah</b>	<b>Salvation</b>
1:1-6	1:7-18	2:1-4	2:5-15	3:1-8	3:9-20

# The coming universal judgment

## Zephaniah 1:2-6

### 1. World-wide wrath (Isaiah 24:1-6; 19-23)

- All life affected
- The Nations

Jeremiah 25:30-33; Zephaniah 3:6 , Nahum, Obadiah

### 2. Judah destroyed

- Idolatry
- Idolatrous priests – pagan and Jewish priests
- Worshipers of heavenly bodies
- Syncretism
- Those indifferent to the LORD

### 3. What time?

- The Babylonian captivity
- The Day of the LORD

### 4. Considerations

- Noah Covenant – Genesis 8:20-22; 9:8-17
- Abraham Covenant – Genesis 12:1-3

# **The Day of the LORD**

## **Zephaniah 1:7-18**

- 1. Be silent before the LORD God**
  - **Holiness**
  - **Trust**
  
- 2. Sacrifice**
  - **Devoted to the LORD**
  - **Destruction or Redemption**
  
- 3. Those to be punished (sacrificed)**
  - **Officials and king's sons**
  - **The low life**
  - **The merchants**
  - **The indifferent**

# **The Day of the LORD**

## **Zephaniah 1:7-18**

- 4. The Day of the LORD is near and hastening fast**
  - true or false?
  - Not a timetable but a sense of urgency
  
- 5. Day of the LORD is unimaginable wrath and suffering**
  - Bitter
  - Day of wrath
  - Day of distress and anguish
  - Day of ruin and devastation
  - Day of darkness and gloom
  - Day of clouds and thick darkness
  - Day of trumpet blast and battle cry
  
- 6. The design of the Day of the LORD**
  - Wrath for sin
  - Jealousy of God
  - A full and sudden end of the inhabitants of the earth