

Old Testament PowerPoint presentation

Zephaniah

Suggested Bible Reading: Zephaniah chapter 3

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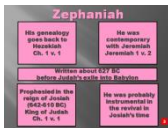
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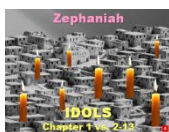
- ‡ In that day – 3: 16 = a day of restoration – God speaks through the Prophet Zephaniah. In the 1st and 2nd chapters 'the day' is in relation to God's coming judgement. ‡ to open →

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- ‡ Some background information. ‡ Zephaniah's genealogy goes back to the time of King Hezekiah, one of the good Kings of Judah. ‡ He was contemporary with Jeremiah. Jeremiah 1: 2. ‡ The book of Zephaniah was written about 627BC before Judah's exile into Babylon. ‡ Zephaniah prophesied in the reign of Josiah King of Judah (642-610BC). ‡ He was probably instrumental in the revival in Josiah's time. ‡ to open →

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- ‡ God's day of judgement against Judah. ‡ Idols – Chapter 1: 2-13. ‡ The searching of Jerusalem with lamps – verse 12 – for idols, condemnation of false worship. ‡ to open →

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- ‡ The day of judgement on Jerusalem. ‡ Chapter 1: 14-18. ‡ That day will be a day of the trumpet and alarm, a day of wrath, of trouble and distress, a day of clouds and thick darkness. ‡ even silver and gold will not be able to deliver. ‡ It will be a day of the fire of God's jealousy. ‡ There is a call to repentance. - chapter 2: 1-3. ‡ to open →

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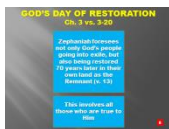
- The wickedness of Jerusalem (2:1-2). ‡ God's people are called to - ‡ obey Him, ‡ heed Him, ‡ trust Him, ‡ approach Him. ‡ God's call to His people goes unheeded – except superficially under King Josiah's reforms. ‡ to open →

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– God's judgement on the enemies of His people. Map of the middle east. ‡ Judah. Mentioned in chapter 2 are the nations that will be judged. ‡ Moab, Ammon, Nineveh, Ethiopia and Philistia. ‡ The sword of God will be against these nations. ‡ to open →

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— But there will be a day of restoration. Chapter 3: 3-20. ‡ Zephaniah foresees not only God's people going into exile but also, 70 years later being restored to their own land as the Remnant. (v.13) ‡ This, of course, applies to all who trust God and are true to Him. ‡ to open →

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– God will save His people 3: 14-17. ‡ There will be a time of rejoicing. ‡ For us today, the Lord Jesus Christ has died on the Cross for all who will put their trust in Him. Like the people of Judah, we should rejoice for all that He has done - there should be ‡ Praise and Thanksgiving. ‡ Isaiah 53: 11 – He shall see of the travail of His soul and shall be satisfied. Verse 17 shows the joy of God Himself in His restored people.

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