

Series: The Minor Prophets

Lesson: 34. Nahum, pt. 2 – Comfort

from Violence

Passage: Nahum 1:9-3:19

Th	e Judgment	_ (1:9–15)
	The destruction is	_•
	o It's not just futile, but destructive to oppose	pose God.
	 Evil Assyrian kings made Ninevah their of judgment. 	capital, so it will bear the brunt
	Assyria is at the height of its power to sl to Go	•
	 God is in control of the chastening, so it needed. 	will only last until it is no longer
	 The complete end of both monarchy an destruction of Assyria's 	
	 1:15; Is. 52:7; Rom. 10:15 all celebrate t 	he removal of

•	The J	Judgment	(Ch's 2-3)
	0	Assyria's judgment is situated in how it advance	es God's purposes to
		restore Israel.	
	0	There will be a terrifying scene of violence with	in the city.
	0	Assyria will lose the it	was so known for.
	0	A city so could only e	nd in violence.
	0	Their evil is compared to harlotry because of th	eir
		of the nations around them.	
	0	They will not be pitied, onlytreatment of others.	because of their
	0	They conquered Thebes when it was considered	d unconquerable, so why
		did they think they were any more secure?	
	0	Not only will they fall, but they will fall easily.	
	0	Even if they could muster more people (like loca	usts), they would only
		flee and scatter (like locusts).	

0	They will experience the horrible justice from people
	at their death because of all the evil they committed.
• The	of the Judgment
	The mode of communication shows God's at
O	work (cp. Jonah).
0	God continually causes wicked, dominant powers to fall to demonstrat
	His and (i.e.,
	Babylon, Rome, etc.).
0	No matter how bad we think sin is, we don't think it's half as ugly as does.
0	Even though God sovereignly uses evil, He still it.
0	Just because most who heard this prophecy died before it was fulfilled
	didn't make God any less to fulfill it.

What Do We Do with This Text?

1.	We shouldn't shrink back from the reality of God's judgment, but rather
	Him for it according to His Word.

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