

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

MORNING MESSAGE

“God’s Message to a Godless City”

Nahum 1:1

INTRODUCTION

- A. There are two book in the Bible about Nineveh
 - a. Jonah 1:2, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me”
 - b. Nahum 1:1, “The burden of Nineveh...”

I. THE DECLARATION OF NINEVEH’S DESTRUCTION (1:1-15)

A. The declaration comes from God

- 1. God’s prophet (v.1)
- 2. God’s personality (vv.2-6)
- 3. God’s perception (vv.7-15)

II. THE DESCRIPTION OF NINEVEH’S DESTRUCTION (2:1-13)

A. Nahum describes the destruction of Nineveh

- 1. The collapse of Nineveh (vv.1-8)
- 2. The capture of Nineveh (vv.9-13)
 - a. Numbers 32:23, “Be sure your sin will find you out”

III. THE DEMAND OF NINEVEH’S DESTRUCTION (3:1-19)

A. Nineveh’s sin demanded her destruction

- 1. The failure of Nineveh (vv.1-7)
 - a. She was a violent city (vv.1-3)
 - b. She was a vulgar city (vv.4-7)
- 2. The forgetfulness of Nineveh (vv.8-10)
- 3. The fall of Nineveh (vv.11-19)
 - a. The military will fall (vv.12-14)
 - b. The merchants will fall (vv.15-16)
 - c. The mighty men will fall (vv.17-18)

CONCLUSION

A. Only two books in the Bible that end with a question

1. Jonah 4:11, "And should I not spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left; and also much cattle?"
2. Nahum 3:19, "for upon who hath not thy wickedness passed continually?"

B. There are at least two lessons to learn from Nineveh

1. One, if you repent of your sin you will be forgiven; learned from Jonah
2. Two, if you refuse to repent of your sin you will be condemned; learned from Nahum