

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021

MORNING MESSAGE

“The Day of the Lord”

Zephaniah 1:12-18

- I. THE PROPHET FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD (1:1)
 - A. Everything we know about Zephaniah is in the first verse
 - 1. He name means “hidden of Jehovah” or “he whom Jehovah hides”
 - 2. He was the great, great grandson of Hezekiah
 - 3. He prophesied during the reign of Josiah
 - a. 2 Kings 22:1, “Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years”
- II. THE PUNISHMENT ON THE DAY OF THE LORD (1:2-18; 2:4-15; 3:1-8)
 - A. The punishment of Judah (1:2-18)
 - 1. The reality of the punishment (vv.2-4a)
 - 2. The reason for the punishment (vv.4b-13)
 - a. Idolatry (vv.4b-6)
 - b. Ignorance (v.7)
 - c. Insincerity (vv.8-13)
 - 3. The result of the punishment (vv.14-18)
 - B. The punishment of the Nations (2:4-15)
 - 1. The western nations (vv.4-7)
 - 2. The eastern nations (vv.8-11)
 - 3. The southern nations (v.12)
 - 4. The northern nations (vv.13-15)
 - C. The punishment of Jerusalem (3:1-8)
 - 1. He described her problems (vv.1-2)
 - 2. He described her people (vv.3-4)
 - 3. He described her plight (vv.5-8)
 - D. The day of the Lord is a terrible day
 - 1. It has a present meaning
 - 2. It has a prophetic meaning

3. It has a personal meaning

III. THE PLEA FROM THE DAY OF THE LORD (2:1-3)

A. God informed the people (vv.1-2)

B. God invited the people (v.3)