

Text: Zephaniah
Topics: God's Judgment, God's Love
Series: Minor books, Major Messages

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Zephaniah: Rain & Reign

I. The Background (1:1)

A warning is needed!

II. The Rain (1:2-3:8)

Judgement is coming!

Repentance is needed!

III. The Reign (3:9-20)

Blessing is coming!

Christ in Zephaniah: *Reigning in love and justice.*

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. Read 2 Kings 21:1-22 for the background leading up to the prophetic ministry of Zephaniah. What word or words would you use to describe that time?

Do you see any of these characteristics in your time and/or life?

2. A large portion of Zephaniah is about a coming judgement, both in the near future, and the distant future (the Day of the Lord). Read Zephaniah 1:4-9, 12; 2:10; and 3:1-8. Is God's wrath toward sin concerning individuals, nations, or both?

Do any of these sins characterize your life?

Do you think God is ready to judge our nation? What can or should you do to stave off any judgement that might be coming.

3. Read Zephaniah 2:1-3. What are people urged to do? Why? Are you doing it?

4. Read Zephaniah 3:9-20. What encouragement do you find in the coming Day of the Lord?

Do you look forward to that day? More than anything in this world?