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ZEPHANIAH

THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR

Hezekiah - c 739 BC – c 687 BC

Last 15 years of reign:

1) showed off treasures of temple to Babylonians
2) Son, Manasseh, was born

Hezekiah

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Manasseh | Amariah

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Amon | Gedaliah

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Josiah | Cushi

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Zephaniah

I. Look Within – Judgment on Whole Earth and Judah, Zephaniah 1-2:3

Three types of judgment:

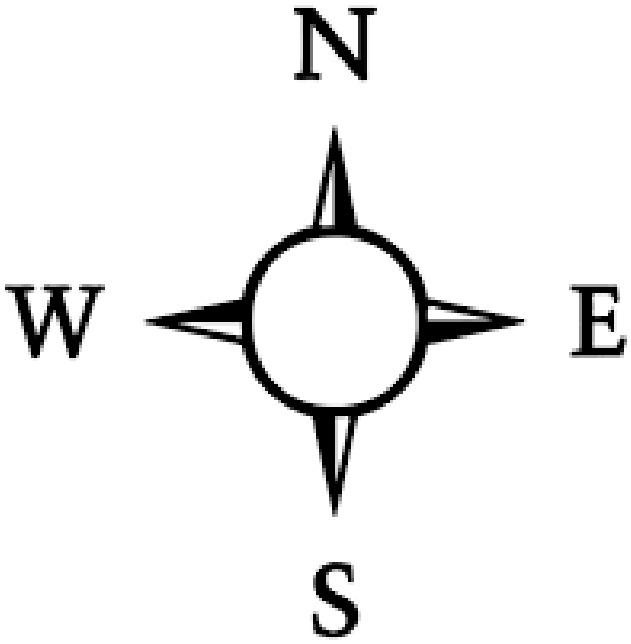
- Physical – REMOVE
- Spiritual – CUT OFF
- Specific Sins - PUNISH

Day of the Lord

- A time (past/present/future) when God reveals Himself sovereign over human power and existence.
- Looking forward to The Day is an invitation to resist evil and take hope in God's promise to restore justice and the beauty of creation.
- God thoroughly warns us of the horrors of His wrath for the unrepentant.

II. Look Around – Judgment on the Nations and Jerusalem, Zephaniah 2:4-3:8

- West – Philistia
- East – Moab
- South – Cush
- North - Assyria



III. Look Beyond – Hope for the Nations and Jerusalem, Zephaniah 3:9-20

- Blessings for Gentiles
- Blessings for Jews
- Blessings of God Himself

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

DAY OF THE LORD

Chiasm

A _____

B _____

C _____

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C_1 _____

B_1 _____

A_1 _____

Zephaniah Chiasm

A Coming Judgment upon Judah and Jerusalem (1:2-6)

B Coming Judgment on Leaders (1:7-13)

C Judgment on the Nations (1:4-18)

D Call to Repentance (2:1-3)

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- Seek Him
- Seek Righteousness
- Seek Humility

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