

The Day of the Lord

Wrath, Repentance, Restoration

Overview of the Book of Zephaniah

“Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near.

The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast.”

Zephaniah 1:7 & 14

Introduction:

Predictions of Wrath

“The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast...A day of wrath is that day.” Zephaniah 1:14-15

Pleas for Repentance

“Gather together, yes, gather; O shameless nation, before the decree takes effect—before the day passes away like chaff—before there comes upon you the burning anger of the LORD, before there comes upon you the day of the anger of the LORD. Seek the LORD, all you humble of the land, who do his just commands; seek righteousness; seek humility; perhaps you may be hidden on the day of the anger of the LORD.” Zephaniah 2:1-3

Promises of Restoration

“At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes,” says the LORD. Zephaniah 3:20

Relevancy for Today:

Memorable Verses from Zephaniah

“Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near.” Zephaniah 1:7

“At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, ‘The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.’” Zephaniah 1:12

“The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast...A day of wrath is that day.” Zephaniah 1:14-15

“Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them on the day of the wrath of the LORD.” Zephaniah 1:18

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“But I will leave in your midst a people humble and lowly. They shall seek refuge in the name of the LORD” Zephaniah 3:12

“Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst... 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 3:14-17

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