

Zephaniah

- Jesus Christ is a jealous God...
- Zephaniah was a royal prophet
- descendant of good king Hezekiah)
- Contemporary of Jeremiah
- Part of revival in Josiah's day
- Final warning before Babylonian judgment on them...
- Main theme: "The day of the Lord"
- Yet, from Desolation to Deliverance!

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- The “day of the Lord” as in II Thes (NT); God’s wrath on Israel & nations, not on the Church (the “day of Christ”)
- He hammered hard at the nation’s conscience...
- Not like the tender wooing of Jeremiah,...
- Yet, he ends in a blessed way, with the daughter of Zion singing and loved by God!!

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- The Determination of the Lord (1:1-6)
- The Day of the Lord (1:7-3:8)
- The Deliverance of the Lord! (3:9-20)

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To Judge FULLY

To Judge FAIRLY

- The Day of the Lord (1:7-3:8)

- The PEOPLE mentioned : Mighty (too independent to listen), Mob (too iniquitous), Merchants (too involved), Majority (too indifferent)
- The PERIOD mentioned
- The PLACES mentioned

- The Deliverance of the Lord! (3:9-20)

Israel's REGATHERING

Israel's REPENTANCE

Israel's REJOICING

Israel's REDEEMER

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- 1:4,6 “I will stretch out my hand against ...those who turn back from following the LORD and neither seek the LORD nor inquire of him...”
- 1:12 “At that time I will ...punish those who are complacent...”

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3:14-17 "Sing, O Daughter of Zion;
...Be glad and rejoice with all your heart,
O Daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵ The LORD has taken away your
punishment, he has turned back your
enemy. The LORD, ...is with you; never again
will you fear any harm.

¹⁶ On that day they will say to Jerusalem,
"...do not let your hands hang limp.

¹⁷ The LORD your God is with you,
He is mighty to save.

He will take great delight in you,
He will quiet you with his love,
He will rejoice over you with singing."