

SERMON NOTES

SERMON DATE: **Sunday, September 29, 2019 - AM Service**
SERMON TITLE: **The Day of the Lord**
PREACHER: **PASTOR BOB JOHNSON**
BIBLE TEXT: **ZEPHANIAH**

Introduction

Zephaniah – minor prophet who is delivering a message of future judgment on Israel. Twenty times he references the Day of the Lord. This reference to God’s judgment in Zephaniah is both **historical** and **prophetic**.

Historical in reference to the Babylonian captivity of Judah

Prophetic in reference to the future judgment of Israel and the nations

**God’s judgment is sure,
but His salvation is secure.**

Chapter 1 - *God Exercises His Divine Will*

Chapter 2 - *God Executes His Divine Wrath*

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God Exercises His Divine Will

Bible text: Zephaniah 1

Zeph 1:1-7 **“I will consume”** – God’s sovereign right to judge His creation.

Zeph 1:8-11 **“I will punish”** - God’s supreme authority to judge the wicked.

Zeph 1:12-13 **“I will search”** - God’s searching eyes to judge the heart.

Zeph 1:14-18 **“I will bring distress”** – God’s sincere jealousy to judge His people.

God Executes His Divine Wrath

Zeph 2:1-3 Before God executes divine wrath He calls for repentance

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9)

Zeph 2:4-7 God's wrath is **sudden**

Zeph 2:8-11 God's wrath is **severe**

Zeph 2:12 God's wrath is **swift**

Zeph 2:13-15 God's wrath is **sure**

God Expresses His Divine Word

Zeph 3:1-7 God's Word **corrects** you

Zeph 3:8-12 God's Word **converts** you

Zeph 3:13 God's Word **changes** you

Zeph 3:14-20 God's Word **comforts** you

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*For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ
(1 Thessalonians 5:9)*

*For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men
(Titus 2:11)*

*Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among
men, whereby we must be saved.
(Acts 4:12)*

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

(Romans 1:16)

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

(Romans 10:10)