

ZEPHANIAH—HERALD OF THE DAY OF THE LORD  
JERUSALEM AND FUTURE GLORY  
(Zephaniah 3:1-20)

- I. God's Coming JUDGMENT (Zeph. 3:1-8)
  - A. His INDICTMENT of JERUSALEM (3:1-7)
    - 1. The people were REBELLIOUS and CORRUPT
    - 2. Their POLITICAL leaders were TYRANTS
    - 3. Their SPIRITUAL leaders are DECEIVERS
    - 4. They all MISREPRESENT the LORD
    - 5. They have IGNORED the object lessons from God's JUDGMENT of the IDOLATROUS nations
  - B. His WRATH upon the NATIONS (3:8)
    - 1. God will GATHER them for JUDGMENT (cf. Joel 3:1-3, 12-16)
    - 2. God will DESTROY them in His WRATH
  
- II. God's Future GRACE (Zeph. 3:9-13)
  - A. The CONVERSION of the GENTILES (3:9-10)
    - 1. The ABILITY to CALL on the LORD is a GIFT from God
    - 2. EVERY PERSON enabled to call on the LORD will DO SO

3. They will all SERVE the LORD as a UNIFIED body
4. They will come from EVERYWHERE

B. The REDEMPTION of Israel's REMNANT (3:11-13)

1. Every SHAMEFUL deed will have been CLEANSED
2. Their SIN nature will have been REMOVED
3. They will live in PEACEFUL SECURITY

III. God's Eternal KINGDOM (Zeph. 3:14-20)

A. "The KING OF ISRAEL is in your midst" (3:14-16)

1. He has REMOVED all the CHARGES He had against them
2. He has REMOVED all the ENEMIES who had oppressed them
3. They need never FEAR again

B. "The LORD YOUR GOD is in your midst" (3:17-20)

1. He will REJOICE over His BELOVED
2. He will GATHER to Himself the GRIEVING and OPPRESSED
3. He will EXALT the remnant of Israel whom mankind had REVILED
4. He will "BRING [them] in"