

NAHUM

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A verse can express a spiritual truth without being historical.

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to “God” and vice versa, there is a new paragraph.

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<p>1:1 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.</p> <p>2 God is jealous, and the Lord revengeth; the Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.</p> <p>3 The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the Lord hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.</p> <p>4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.</p> <p>5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.</p> <p>6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.</p> <p>7 The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.</p> <p>8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.</p>	<p>1:1 The message of Nineveh (the capital of the Assyrian empire). The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.</p> <p>2 God is jealous, and the Lord is revengeful; the Lord is revengeful and is furious. The Lord will take vengeance on His adversaries, and He reserves wrath for His enemies.</p> <p>3 The Lord is slow to anger and great in power but will not at all acquit the wicked. The Lord has His way in the whirlwind and the storm, and the clouds are dust to Him.</p> <p>4 He rebukes the sea and makes it dry and dries up all the rivers; Bashan languishes and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languishes.</p> <p>5 The mountains quake at Him and the hills melt; and the earth is burned at His presence, yes, the world and all who dwell in it.</p> <p>6 Who can stand before His indignation? And who can abide the fierceness of His anger? His fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by Him.</p> <p>7 God is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows those who trust in Him.</p> <p>8 But with an overrunning flood, the LORD will make an utter end of the place, and darkness shall pursue His enemies.</p>

<p>9 What do ye imagine against the Lord? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.</p> <p>10 For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.</p> <p>11 There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the Lord, a wicked counsellor.</p> <p>12 Thus saith the Lord; Though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.</p> <p>13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.</p> <p>14 And the Lord hath given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.</p> <p>15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.</p>	<p>9 What do you imagine against God? He will make an utter end of it; affliction shall not rise up the second time.</p> <p>10 For while they are folded together like thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as fully dry stubble.</p> <p>11 One has come out of you who imagines evil against the Lord, a wicked counselor.</p> <p>12 The Lord says, "Though the Assyrians are strong and many, yet they shall be cut down when He shall pass through. Though I have afflicted you, My people, I will not afflict you anymore.</p> <p>13 For now I will break the yoke of the Assyrians from off you and will burst your bonds in pieces.</p> <p>14 The Lord has given a commandment concerning the Assyrians. You Assyrians, no more of your name will be sown. I will cut off the idols out of the house of your gods; I will make your grave, for you are vile.</p> <p>15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that brings good tidings, that publishes peace! O Judah, keep your solemn feasts and perform your vows: for the wicked will not pass through you anymore; the wicked are utterly cut off.</p>
<p>2:1 He that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightily.</p> <p>2 For the Lord hath turned away the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.</p> <p>3 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.</p> <p>4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.</p> <p>5 He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared.</p>	<p>2:1 Nineveh, those who dash in pieces have come up before your walls. Nineveh, keep the munition; watch the way; make your loins strong; fortify your power mightily.</p> <p>2 For the Lord is about to restore the excellence of Jacob, as the excellence of Israel; for the emptiers have emptied them out and marred their grapevine branches.</p> <p>3 The shield of the enemy's mighty warriors is made red; the valiant warriors are in scarlet. The chariots shall have flaming torches on the day of their preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.</p> <p>4 The chariots shall rage in the streets; one shall jostle against another in the broad ways; they shall seem like torches; they shall run like lightning.</p> <p>5 Nineveh shall summon her soldiers; they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to Nineveh's walls, and the defense shall be prepared.</p> <p>6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the</p>

<p>6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.</p> <p>7 And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead her as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.</p> <p>8 But Nineveh is of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, shall they cry; but none shall look back.</p> <p>9 Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: for there is none end of the store and glory out of all the pleasant furniture.</p> <p>10 She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much pain is in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.</p> <p>11 Where is the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, even the old lion, walked, and the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid?</p> <p>12 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.</p> <p>13 Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.</p>	<p>palace shall be dissolved.</p> <p>7 Nineveh's mistress shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead her as with the voice of doves, moaning upon their breasts.</p> <p>8 But Nineveh is of old like a pool of water, yet they shall flee away. "Stand, stand," they shall cry, but no one shall look back.</p> <p>9 Take the plunder of silver; take the plunder of gold; for there is no end to the supplies and pleasant treasures.</p> <p>10 Nineveh is empty and void and waste; and the heart melts, and the knees strike down together, and much pain is in all loins; and their faces all gather blackness.</p> <p>11 Where is the dwelling of the lions and the feeding place of the young lions where the lion, even the old lion walked, and the lion's cubs, and nothing made them afraid?</p> <p>12 The lion tore in pieces enough for his cubs, and strangled for his lionesses and filled his holes with prey and his dens with the carcasses of his prey.</p> <p>13 The Lord of hosts says, "Behold, Nahum, I am against you, and I will burn your chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour your young lions. And I will cut off your prey from the earth, and the voice of your messengers shall not be heard anymore.</p>
<p>3:1 Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not;</p> <p>2 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing horses, and of the jumping chariots.</p> <p>3 The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcasses; and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:</p> <p>4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.</p> <p>5 Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the</p>	<p>3:1 Woe to Nahum, the bloody city! It is ll full of lies and robbery; the prey does not depart.</p> <p>2 There is the noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of wheels, and of prancing horses, and of jumping chariots.</p> <p>3 The cavalry lift up both the bright sword and the glittering spear, and there is a multitude of the slain and a great number of carcasses. And there is no end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses</p> <p>4 because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the well-favored whore, the mistress of witchcrafts, that sells nations through her whoredoms and families through her witchcrafts.</p> <p>5 The Lord of hosts says, "Behold, I am against you, Nineveh. And I will lift your skirt over your face, and I will show the nations your nakedness and the</p>

kingdoms thy shame.

6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

7 And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

8 Art thou better than populous No, that was situate among the rivers, that had the waters round about it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

9 Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was infinite; Put and Lubim were thy helpers.

10 Yet was she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains.

11 Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.

12 All thy strong holds shall be like fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

13 Behold, thy people in the midst of thee are women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.

14 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the mortar, make strong the brickkiln.

15 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.

16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm spoileth, and flieth away.

17 Thy crowned are as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they are.

18 Thy shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell in the dust: thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth them.

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6 And I will cast abominable filth upon you and make you vile and will set you as a spectacle.

7 And it shall come to pass that all who look upon you shall flee from you and say, "Nineveh has been laid waste. Who will bemoan her? Where shall I seek comforters for her?"

8 Nineveh, are you better than populous No, a city that was located among the rivers, which had waters around it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

9 Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was great; Put and Lubim were her helpers.

10 Yet she was carried away; she went into captivity; also her young children were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets. And they cast lots for her honorable people, and all her great people were bound in chains.

11 Nineveh, you also shall be drunken; you shall be hidden; also you shall seek strength because of the enemy.

12 All your strongholds shall be like fig trees with the first-ripe figs; if they are shaken, they shall fall into the mouth of the eater.

13 Behold, your people in the midst of you are fearful; the gates of your land shall be set wide open to your enemies; the fire shall devour your bars.

14 Draw water for the siege; fortify your strong holds; trample the clay, and tread the mortar; make strong the brick kiln.

15 The fire shall devour you; the sword shall cut you off. It shall eat you up like the cankerworm; make yourself many as the cankerworm; make yourself many as the locusts.

16 You have multiplied your merchants above the stars of heaven, but the cankerworm spoils and flies away.

17 Your crowned are like the locusts and your captains like the great grasshoppers which camp in the hedges on a cold day. But when the sun rises, they flee away, and no one knows where they go.

18 Your shepherds slumber, O emperor of Assyria; your nobles shall dwell in the dust; your people are scattered upon the mountains, and no one gathers them.

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19 There is no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?

grievous. All who hear the news about you shall clap the hands over you, for who has not suffered continually from your wickedness?