



**Series: The Minor Prophets**

**Lesson: 40. Zephaniah, pt. 3 – The Day  
of the Lord Is Universal**

**Passage: Zeph. 2**

**The Day of the Lord is:**

- Violent (ch1)
- Universal (ch2)
- Purifying (ch3)

• The Call for \_\_\_\_\_ (vv1–3)

○ Israel is addressed two ways:

- A \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

○ The address is \_\_\_\_\_.

- The way of escape is to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - This is expressed primarily in righteousness & humility.
  - Read 'perhaps you will be hidden' in two ways:
    - Individual –
    - Group –
- The \_\_\_\_\_
- Philistia (vv4–7) –
  - Moab & Ammon (vv8–11) –
  - Cush/Ethiopia (v12) –
  - Assyria (vv13–15) –

***Deut. 4:35*** – *To you it was shown that you might know that **the Lord, He is God; there is no other besides Him.***

***Is. 14:13–14*** – *But you said in your heart,  
 'I will ascend to heaven;  
 I will raise my throne above the stars of God,  
 And I will sit on the mount of assembly  
 In the recesses of the north.  
<sup>14</sup>I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;  
 I will make myself like the Most High.'*

- **What the Judgments \_\_\_\_\_ Us**
  - The judgment is universal because Israel is \_\_\_\_\_ by it.
  - The judgment is universal because no is too \_\_\_\_\_ to escape it.
  - The judgment is universal because no kind of nation that rejects God is more/less \_\_\_\_\_ of judgment.
  - In one sense, judgment is the \_\_\_\_\_ for all who reject God.
  - In another sense, judgment is \_\_\_\_\_ based on God's purposes.
    - Nature of sin
    - Proximity to God's people
    - Physical vs. spiritual judgment
  - These judgments represent the judgment on \_\_\_\_\_ that reject God.

## What Do We Do with This Text?

1. The Day of the Lord comes to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Only one nation will escape the ultimate version of the Day of the Lord:  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Every nation eventually rejects God and will be judged in the end (cf. Rev. 19:19–21).
  - c. In the meantime, we should have two responses toward our earthly country:
    - i. Evangelize (and encourage support for Israel)!
    - ii. Don't get too tied up in this nation.

**Blanks:** Repentance, nation, Shameless, urgent, Seek YHWH, Judgments, Teach, surrounded, powerful, deserving, same, different, ALL nations, every nation, Israel