



Unit 15 | Session 2

# NAHUM WARNED OF GOD'S JUDGMENT

## Nahum

God gave a message to Nahum (NAY huhm) the prophet. Nahum took God's message to Nineveh, the capital city of Assyria. The Assyrians were mean, evil people. They were enemies of God's people, and God was going to judge them.

First, Nahum told the people what God is like. God is a jealous God. That means He wants people to worship only Him.

Nahum said God punishes the guilty, those who do wrong. God does not lose His temper; He is patient.

He is powerful, too. No one can stand up against the power of God.

Nahum said the Lord is good. He takes care of people who trust in Him. But the people of Nineveh did not trust in Him.

Then Nahum took a message to God's people: "The Assyrians are strong and have big armies, but I will defeat them.

You have been hurt, but you won't hurt anymore." The Assyrians had power over God's people, but God was going to set His people free!

God's message was bad news for Nineveh and good news for the people of God. Peace was coming for God's people! Now they could worship God and obey Him freely.

*Christ Connection:* Nahum brought a message of comfort to God's people, reminding them that God loves His people and will protect them from their enemies. Jesus also brought a message of comfort, salvation, and peace to His people. All of the enemies of God and His children were defeated at the cross. One day, God will finally judge all evil.



**LEARN**

## THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

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The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Use your Bible to help you answer the questions about the Book of Nahum.

1. Is Nahum in the Old Testament or the New Testament?
2. What book comes before Nahum? What book comes after Nahum?
3. How many chapters are in the Book of Nahum?
4. What city did Nahum prophesy God's judgment against?

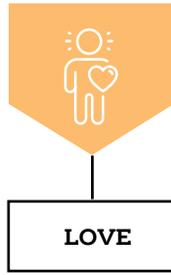
» What does this story teach us about God?

» How is God always a place of safety for His people?

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## THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

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» How should you respond to people when they are mean to you?

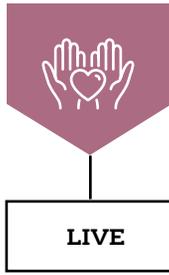
» How have you seen God's goodness in your life?

» How can you share the good news of the gospel?

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## THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

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» Find Psalm 139:13-14 in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, asking God to help you always be mindful of the good news of Jesus and how you can share that good news with others.

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### READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

Psalm 23:4-6

John 16:33

Psalm 31:19

Romans 5:1

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Isaiah 12:2