WHERE IS GOD?
ZEPHANIAH 3:14-20 / 12-22-19 / AM

I. FIRST, GOD DELIGHTS IN US.

A. Too many people think that God is **angry** with them or judges them.

B. Zephaniah, however, says God’s attitude toward you is very different—3:17b.

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**Zephaniah 3:17**

---------He will take great delight in you---------

1. In fact, Zephaniah says every time God thinks of you He breaks out in **song**—3:17c.

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**Zephaniah 3:17**

---------He will take great delight in you---------He will rejoice over you with singing."


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**Zephaniah 3:17**

---------in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."

II. SECOND, GOD TAKES CARE OF US.

A. How does God take care of us? By meeting our needs, both **physical** and **spiritual** needs—Phil. 4:19.

B. Zephaniah says God gives us three things that we really need.

1. God gives us **forgiveness**—v.15a.

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**Zephaniah 3:15**

The Lord has taken away your punishment… For what? Our sin!

2. God **protects** us from those who wish to harm us.—15b.

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**Zephaniah 3:15b**

The Lord has taken away your punishment, he has turned back your enemy............

3. God gives us **peace**—17c.

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**Zephaniah 3:17c**

...He will quiet you with His love...  ”
III. **GOD HAS PLANS FOR YOU.**

A. Listen to the plans God has for you—Zeph. 3:20.

B. Another O.T. prophet speaks about God’s plans for you—Jer. 29:11.

C. God’s plans are always **better** than our own plans—Proverbs 3:5-6.