



SMALL GROUP STUDY

Micah, Nahum & Habakkuk ~ *Hey Judah!*

These three were God's representatives to the nation of Judah. Micah speaks to the common people--the farmers, the villagers. Nahum speaks to the collective of Judah; all of the people--kings and commoners. Habakkuk speaks to the prophet--this prophet wrestles with some things and this is really a dialogue with the prophet Habakkuk and his God. Three messages to Judah. God is speaking through these prophets to Judah.

Micah: God is Moving

Micah delivers a message that gives reassurance that God will be equitable to all believers. Yes, judgment is coming--but, God is moving and his plan includes some temporary chastisement and then a future blessing.

Discussion Questions:

- a. What transgressions were the people guilty of? What was God's judgment?
- b. What dangers should we as believers beware of so that we don't follow Judah's path?
- c. How did this verse (Micah 3:12) spare Jeremiah's life?
- d. 5:2 What does this verse mean, what are God's future plans? How many years did it take for these plans to become a reality?
- e. Examine your heart: Is there any pride in your heart? Are you giving God real, authentic worship?
- f. What does the Lord require of you?

Nahum: The Ninevites are Going

Nahum's message is intended to provide comfort to worried believers. It's a reassurance that God will protect His own--He will handle their enemies.

Discussion Questions:

- a. What descriptions of God are given in Nahum?
- b. Why was the news of Nineveh's destruction happy news for the people of Judah?
- c. What is Nahum 3:12 a description of?

Habakkuk: The Babylonians are Coming

A warning to smug believers, arrogant, prideful, detached, aloof believers. God is very, very active, He has an answer but it is not going to be a pleasant one.

Discussion Questions:

- a. What is the issue that Habakkuk faced that we all face?
- b. What punishment did the prophet Habakkuk tell of?
- c. When you don't know what to do; or, you don't understand what is happening, what should you do?
- d. What does Habakkuk 2:4 say about the proud and the just?
- e. What was Habakkuk's response to the trials?
- f. Examine your heart: Is there life beyond my trial?