Zephaniah 2



Discussion questions

1. Why do people in our society find the idea of 'the day of judgement' so strange?

2. How has the "the day of the Lord" already been described in Zephaniah 1? How does chapter 2 expand the description?

3. What are the reasons for the Lord's anger given in the Zephaniah 2? Who faces his anger?

4. What are the hints of hope from judgement in Zephaniah 2?

5. Look at some of the New Testament descriptions of the day of Christ. How do they add to the picture from Zephaniah 2? How does "the day of Christ" relate to "the day of the Lord" in Zephaniah? See Romans 2:5-16; 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10; 2 Timothy 4:1, 8; 2 Peter 3:7-10; Revelation 20:11-15.

6. What responses should we have to knowing that the Day of the Lord is coming?

7. Imagine speaking to a non-Christian friend about 'the day of judgement'. How would you explain it? What questions or objections might they have? What could you take from this discussion to help you respond to those?