

## MAJOR LESSONS FROM THE MINOR PROPHETS

# Nahum: Judgment Day

*A prophecy concerning Nineveh.  
The book of the vision of Nahum  
the Elkoshite. (Nahum 1:1)*

### The Character of God . . .

- ▶ Exclusive
  - Nahum 1:2
  
- ▶ Patient
  - Nahum 1:3a
  
- ▶ Sovereign
  - Nahum 1:4-5
  
- ▶ Good
  - Nahum 1:7

### The Character of Evil . . .

*From you, Nineveh, has one come  
forth who plots evil against the Lord  
and devises wicked plans.  
(Nahum 1:11)*

- Nahum 3:1, 3b-4

### If There Was No Judgment . . .

- ▶ God would not  
be just

*Consider therefore the kindness and  
sternness of God. (Romans 11:22a)*

- ▶ **\_Humanity\_ would not  
be \_free\_**

Hell is the greatest compliment God has ever paid to the dignity of human freedom. -- G. K. Chesterton

*<sup>4</sup>Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance? <sup>5</sup>But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. (Romans 2:4,5)*

- ▶ **\_Jesus\_ would not  
be \_needed\_**

*<sup>6</sup>You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:6-8)*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23)*

*If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)*