

# Bible Reading Class - The Book of Nahum

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## INTRODUCTION

1. Nahum is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ minor prophets of the **Old Testament**.
2. Nahum received a divine \_\_\_\_\_ that revealed God's judgment against the city of \_\_\_\_\_ and the nation of \_\_\_\_\_ (**Nah. 3:7, 18**).
3. The Assyrians were the people that became a mighty \_\_\_\_\_ dominating the biblical \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ century B.C.
4. The capital of Assyria was \_\_\_\_\_; she was one of the great cities of ancient times; the Assyrians were a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ nation who showed little \_\_\_\_\_ to those they conquered.
5. Assyria was once an \_\_\_\_\_ for merchants due to \_\_\_\_\_ (**Nah. 2:8**); she was the " \_\_\_\_\_ " of the Middle East (**Nah. 2:9**).
6. Isaiah tells us in **Isaiah 10:5** that God used the \_\_\_\_\_ to punish \_\_\_\_\_ (**Northern Kingdom**) for her continuous \_\_\_\_\_; now the time had come for God to fulfill His prophecy concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (**cf. Isa. 10:24-27**).
7. The once \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ nation [**Assyria**] was about to be reduced to the " \_\_\_\_\_ " (**Nah. 2:10**).
8. The prophet Jeremiah informs us that God was going to use the \_\_\_\_\_ as His " \_\_\_\_\_ " to "**dash in** \_\_\_\_\_ " the Assyrians (**Jer. 51:20; Nah. 2:1**); as God did with the Assyrians, when He was finished with using the \_\_\_\_\_, He was going to punish her for her \_\_\_\_\_ (**cf. Jer. 51:24**).

## CHAPTER ONE

1. "**Burden**" of **verse 1** is translated in the ASV as " \_\_\_\_\_ "; Nahum is delivering an \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ revelation to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The prophet Nahum tells us of three wonderful attributes of God; He is:

- A. " \_\_\_\_\_, and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ " (v. 2),
- B. "slow to \_\_\_\_\_ and great in \_\_\_\_\_ " (v. 3),
- C. "a \_\_\_\_\_ in the day of \_\_\_\_\_ " (v. 7).
3. Nahum informs Nineveh that those \_\_\_\_\_ of God's wrath will experience the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in His condemning \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The prophet describes God's judgment in the following ways:
- A. "a \_\_\_\_\_ and in the \_\_\_\_\_,"
- B. "rebukes the \_\_\_\_\_ and makes it \_\_\_\_\_,"
- C. "dries up all the \_\_\_\_\_,"
- D. " \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ wither, and the flower of \_\_\_\_\_ wilts,"  
and
- E. "the mountains \_\_\_\_\_, the hills \_\_\_\_\_, and the earth \_\_\_\_\_  
(subject to God) as His presence."
5. In **verse 6**, the prophet asks the question, "Who can \_\_\_\_\_ before His \_\_\_\_\_ (wrath)? Who can endure the \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_?" The answer is no man, or no part of nature can withstand against God's \_\_\_\_\_ wrath."
6. In **verses 9-13**, Nahum describes the destruction of \_\_\_\_\_; in **verse 9**, the prophet asks Assyria the question, "What do you \_\_\_\_\_ (devise) against God?"
7. God is going to \_\_\_\_\_ the Assyrians soundly that they shall not rise up a \_\_\_\_\_ time; the Assyrians because of their \_\_\_\_\_, considered themselves as being \_\_\_\_\_.
8. In **verse 11**, Assyria is the "one who \_\_\_\_\_ evil against the Lord;" although, they feel \_\_\_\_\_ and are many in \_\_\_\_\_, they will be " \_\_\_\_\_."
9. In **verse 14**, Nahum declares to Assyria that she was going to be \_\_\_\_\_ and her \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ will not be able to \_\_\_\_\_ her.
10. Assyria was going to be destroyed because she was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ carved images.

## CHAPTER TWO

1. This chapter opens with Nahum announcing that “**He who** \_\_\_\_\_ **has come up before your** \_\_\_\_\_;” the “**he**” is \_\_\_\_\_ as prophesied by Jeremiah (**cf. Jer. 51:7, 20**).
2. God was going to use \_\_\_\_\_ to destroy \_\_\_\_\_ and there would be no amount of \_\_\_\_\_ that would be able to \_\_\_\_\_ them.
3. In **verse 3**, Nahum describes the army of \_\_\_\_\_ as “**the \_\_\_\_\_ of his mighty men are made \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ men are in \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ come with flaming \_\_\_\_\_, ... and the \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ [lightnings]**”.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ are rushing in every direction as quick as \_\_\_\_\_ and the people of Nineveh are falling \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In **verse 5-7**, Nahum describes the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the city are breached and a \_\_\_\_\_ of Babylonians \_\_\_\_\_ the city; the city is destroyed, and the \_\_\_\_\_ cry out and beat their \_\_\_\_\_.
6. There was a time when Nineveh was “**like a pool of \_\_\_\_\_ (an oasis) in the \_\_\_\_\_**” when men would gladly travel to her, but now people flee in \_\_\_\_\_; the prophet says, “**no one \_\_\_\_\_ (looks) back.**”
7. God asks the Assyrians a question, “**Where is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ place of the young \_\_\_\_\_**” that is, where are all your mighty men who without conscience \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ other nations?
8. The Assyrians were once the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ used by God, yet now they are destroyed by the \_\_\_\_\_ - God said to them, “**I am \_\_\_\_\_ you.**”

## CHAPTER THREE

1. Nineveh has \_\_\_\_\_ is the description of the prophet in **chapter 3**; she is \_\_\_\_\_ due to the destruction by Babylon.
2. Two additional sins of Assyria are stated - she was full of both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Nahum gives a picture of the comprehension of the \_\_\_\_\_; the destruction is so complete that the Babylonians \_\_\_\_\_ through the city with much \_\_\_\_\_ because of all the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The prophet states even additional sins of Assyria such as “**multitude of \_\_\_\_\_**” and “\_\_\_\_\_;” because of her sins, God says that He is going to “**lift your \_\_\_\_\_ over your \_\_\_\_\_**” that is, He was going to \_\_\_\_\_ them in front of other nations.
5. According to **verse 7**, no nation will \_\_\_\_\_ the fall of \_\_\_\_\_; all the nations that were cruelly treated by her would now \_\_\_\_\_ over her \_\_\_\_\_.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ [Noamon] of **verse 8** was a city in \_\_\_\_\_; the prophet Isaiah had prophesied that the Egyptians would be defeated by the \_\_\_\_\_ (**cf. Isa. 20:3-4**).
7. Assyria had appeared to be \_\_\_\_\_, but now she had fallen, and \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or no other nation will be able to do anything to \_\_\_\_\_ her.
8. In **verses 14-15**, Nahum says to Nineveh, now you can \_\_\_\_\_ anyone or other nations to help you in this \_\_\_\_\_, but it will not do you any good; the “\_\_\_\_\_” [Babylon] will devour you, the “\_\_\_\_\_” [Babylon] will cut you off; the certainty of Assyria destruction was coming!