

Sunday – December 21

Q & A

- Please submit your Bible questions to Dick before or after class today.
- Please write them out on a sheet of paper.
- You do not need to put your name on them.
- You can ask as many questions as you like.

Open Bible Hour Christmas Banquet

Tuesday, December 16

Great Room

6:30 PM – Dinner served at 7 PM

Menu

Beef Short Ribs Braised in Broth
Served with Rice Pilaf and Roasted
Seasonal Vegetables

Salad and Rolls

Variety of Desserts

Coffee

\$14

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Looking Ahead . . .

Sun. - Dec. 14 - Finish Nahum

Tues. - Dec. 16 - OBH Christmas Banquet

Sun. - Dec. 21 - Q & A

Sun. - Dec. 28 - No class

Sun. - Jan. 4 - Class resumes

**The City of Nineveh,
the Judgment of God,
And a Warning to the United States**

"Your Wound Is Fatal"

Nahum 3:14-19

December 14, 2014

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Strengthen your fortifications!

Go into the clay and tread the mortar!

Take hold of the brick mold!

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The sword will cut you down;

It will consume you as the locust does.

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Joel 1:4

4 What the gnawing locust has left, the swarming locust has eaten;

And what the swarming locust has left, the creeping locust has eaten;

And what the creeping locust has left, the stripping locust has eaten.

Locust

There are four different kinds of locusts that eat particular parts of the vegetation, and so, by the end of the four waves there's nothing left

1. *Gazam - gnawing*

2. *Arbeh - swarming*

3. *Yeleq - creeping*

4. *Hasil - stripping*

Gowb – those that “grub” - dig in or dig down

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17 Your guardsmen are like the swarming locust.

Your marshals are like hordes of grasshoppers

Settling in the stone walls on a cold day.

The sun rises and they flee,

And the place where they are is not known.

18 Your shepherds are sleeping, O king of Assyria;

Your nobles are lying down.

Your people are scattered on the mountains

And there is no one to regather them.

19 There is no relief for your breakdown,

Your wound is incurable.

All who hear about you

Will clap their hands over you,

For on whom has not your evil passed continually?



- A desert locust swarm can be 460 square miles in size and pack between 40 and 80 million locusts into less than half a square mile.
- Each locust can eat its weight in plants each day, so a swarm of such size would eat 423 million pounds of plants every day.

*-National Geographic
"Locust"*

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Application of Nahum

1. You will never understand the depths of the love of God unless you understand the depths of the wrath of God.
2. Understanding the wrath of God from Nahum will not allow my fear of God to vanish from my understanding of who God is.

1 John 4:17-18

17 By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love.

Ps 111:10

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;

Prov 1:7

7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge;

Prov 8:13

13 "The fear of the Lord is to hate evil;

Prov 10:27

27 The fear of the Lord prolongs life,

Prov 14:26

26 In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence,

Prov 14:27

27 The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life,

Prov 15:16

16 Better is a little with the fear of the Lord
Than great treasure and turmoil with it.

Prov 15:33

33 The fear of the Lord is the instruction for wisdom,

Prov 16:6

6 And by the fear of the Lord one keeps away from evil.

Prov 19:23

23 The fear of the Lord leads to life,
So that one may sleep satisfied, untouched by evil.

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3. Understanding the wrath of God from Nahum will prevent me from drifting from my belief in the justice of God.
4. Understanding the wrath of God from Nahum will magnify the grace of God demonstrated in His patience.
5. Understanding the wrath of God in Nahum will preserve my submission to the ultimate authority of the sovereignty of God.

2 Tim 2:24-25

24 The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged,

25 with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth,

Rom 9:17-18

17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE I RAISED YOU UP, TO DEMONSTRATE MY POWER IN YOU, AND THAT MY NAME MIGHT BE PROCLAIMED THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE EARTH."

18 So then He has mercy on whom He desires, and He hardens whom He desires.

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***Love of God**

***Fear of God**

***Justice of God**

***Grace of God**

***Sovereignty of God**

Nah 1:1-6

1 The oracle of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

2 A jealous and avenging God is the Lord;

The Lord is avenging and wrathful.

The Lord takes vengeance on His adversaries,

And He reserves wrath for His enemies.

3 The Lord is slow to anger and great in power,

And the Lord will by no means leave the guilty unpunished.

In whirlwind and storm is His way,

And clouds are the dust beneath His feet.

4 He rebukes the sea and makes it dry;

He dries up all the rivers.

Bashan and Carmel wither;

The blossoms of Lebanon wither.

5 Mountains quake because of Him

And the hills dissolve;

Indeed the earth is upheaved by His presence,

The world and all the inhabitants in it.

6 Who can stand before His indignation?

Who can endure the burning of His anger?

His wrath is poured out like fire

And the rocks are broken up by Him.