

# Zephaniah 2:12-15

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Zephaniah's main theme – The Day of The LORD

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<sup>12</sup> "You also, O Ethiopians, will be slain by My sword."

<sup>13</sup> And He will stretch out His hand against the north And destroy Assyria, And He will make Nineveh a desolation, Parched like the wilderness.

<sup>14</sup> Flocks will lie down in her midst, All beasts which range in herds; Both the pelican and the hedgehog Will lodge in the tops of her pillars; Birds will sing in the window, Desolation *will be* on the threshold; For He has laid bare the cedar work.

<sup>15</sup> This is the exultant city Which dwells securely, Who says in her heart, "I am, and there is no one besides me."

Habakkuk 1:7 (NASB95) . . . Their justice and authority originate with themselves.

Habakkuk 1:11 (NASB95) . . . They whose strength is their god."

Habakkuk 2:4 (NASB95) <sup>4</sup> "Behold, as for the proud one, His soul is not right within him; . . .

Zephaniah 1:12 (NASB95) . . . Who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good or evil!'

How she has become a desolation, A resting place for beasts! Everyone who passes by her will hiss And wave his hand *in contempt*.

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Habakkuk 2:4 (NASB95) . . . But the righteous will live by his faith

Habakkuk 2:14 (NASB95) <sup>14</sup> "For the earth will be filled With the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, As the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 3:2 (NASB95) . . . In wrath remember mercy

Habakkuk 3:18-19 (NASB95) <sup>18</sup> Yet I will exult in the LORD, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. <sup>19</sup> The Lord GOD is my strength, And He has made my feet like hinds' *feet*, And makes me walk on my high places.

Zephaniah 2:3 (NASB95) . . . Seek righteousness, seek humility. Perhaps you will be hidden In the day of the LORD'S anger.

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" . . . I appreciate more the beauty of heaven and eternity now. Heaven means something more to me than it did before, a place to be reunited, not separated, a place to see the fully healed instead of the suffering and broken, a place to feel completely, contentedly at home instead of fractured, distracted and limited. To me, heaven is a place to be with God and know that it is truly entirely forever enough. I'm nowhere close to that kind of spiritual peace or maturity now, but it gives me hope that I will be one day. I believe I will live a very long life; I wish for that and rejoice in it, but I must also say that it gives me such hope to know that when Father takes me to my true home, He will grant me everything I need to spend eternity with Him. I'm grateful. The more I travel the world seeing people searching for spiritual enlightenment, achievement, atonement, I am so overwhelmed to know that I will receive it as a gift. My Creator will make me, my life, and my eternity into everything it needs to be.

Trusting Him with my life and my loved ones, . . ."

