



Sunday 23rd August 2020

Online Service at 4pm

(Sunday School at 3.30pm)

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WELCOME (Andrew S)

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."
Revelation 5:9-10 (ESV)

SONG: Come people of the risen king (Immy and All)

CHILDREN'S TALK (Sarah)

CONFESSION (All)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our fellow men,
In thought and word and deed,
In the evil we have done
And in the good we have not done,
Through ignorance, through weakness,
Through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may serve you in newness of life
To the glory of your name. Amen.

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NOTICES (Andrew S)

OPTIONAL CHAT IN BREAKOUT GROUPS

CONGREGATIONAL READING (All)

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us
All: And make his face to shine upon us,
Leader: That your way may be known on earth,
All: Your saving power among all nations.
Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
All: Let all the peoples praise you!
Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
**All: For you judge the peoples with equity
And guide the nations upon earth.**
Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
All: Let all the peoples praise you!

Psalm 67:1-5

READING: Isaiah 25:1-12 (Betty)

SERMON: Zephaniah 2:4-15 (Jon)

PRAYERS (Nathan)

SONG: Jesus shall reign where'er the sun (Sam and All)

BLESSING (Andrew S)

OPTIONAL CHAT IN BREAKOUT GROUPS

OPTIONAL Q&A

*Next Sunday 30th August:
Zephaniah 3:1-20 – When God the Merciful steps in...*

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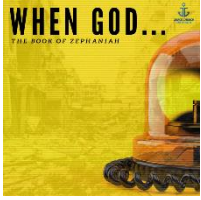
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When God the King goes out...

Zephaniah 2:4-15



⁴ For Gaza shall be deserted, and Ashkelon shall become a desolation;

Ashdod's people shall be driven out at noon, and Ekron shall be uprooted. ⁵ Woe to you inhabitants of the sea coast, you nation of the Cherethites! The word of the Lord is against you, O Canaan, land of the Philistines; and I will destroy you until no inhabitant is left. ⁶ And you, O sea coast, shall be pastures, with meadows for shepherds and folds for flocks. ⁷ The sea coast shall become the possession of the remnant of the house of Judah, on which they shall graze, and in the houses of Ashkelon they shall lie down at evening. For the Lord their God will be

mindful of them and restore their fortunes. ⁸ "I have heard the taunts of Moab and the revilings of the Ammonites, how they have taunted my people and made boasts against their territory. ⁹ Therefore, as I live," declares the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, "Moab shall become like Sodom, and the Ammonites like Gomorrah, a land possessed by nettles and salt pits, and a waste for ever. The remnant of my people shall plunder them, and the survivors of my nation shall possess them." ¹⁰ This shall be their lot in return for their pride, because they taunted and boasted against the people of the Lord of hosts. ¹¹ The Lord will be awesome against them; for he will famish all the gods of the

earth, and to him shall bow down, each in its place, all the lands of the nations. ¹² You also, O Cushites, shall be slain by my sword. ¹³ And he will stretch out his hand against the north and destroy Assyria, and he will make Nineveh a desolation, a dry waste like the desert. ¹⁴ Herds shall lie down in her midst, all kinds of beasts; even the owl and the hedgehog shall lodge in her capitals; a voice shall hoot in the window; devastation will be on the threshold; for her cedar work will be laid bare. ¹⁵ This is the exultant city that lived securely, that said in her heart, "I am, and there is no one else." What a desolation she has become, a lair for wild beasts! Everyone who passes by her hisses and shakes his fist.

1. God the King goes out against the nations
(2:4-15)
2. God the King goes out to restore his remnant people
(2:7 & 9)
3. God the King goes out to welcome worshippers from across the world
(2:11)

COFFEE QUESTIONS

-How does God going out against the nations make you feel? Why is this necessary & a good thing?

-How does Zephaniah 2:4-15 enlarge your vision of God and teach you of his purposes?

-Zephaniah 2:4-15 sees justice and love delicately woven together, why is it important to see both of these together?