



OLD TESTAMENT • MINOR PROPHETS

Zephaniah

Judgment that opens toward a humbled, restored people

AUTHORSHIP • Zephaniah

DATE & CONTEXT • Seventh century BC, during Josiah's reign

The big picture

Zephaniah warns of the day of the Lord against complacency, idolatry, and injustice. No status or location guarantees safety from accountability. Yet the book moves toward the gathering of a humble people who trust in God. Its final songs of restoration picture divine joy replacing shame and scattered people being brought home.

Words to carry

“The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save.”

Zephaniah 3:17 • KJV • excerpt

Live it

- 01 Identify a place where spiritual complacency has settled in.
- 02 Practice humility by receiving help or correction.
- 03 Offer belonging to someone who feels overlooked or ashamed.

Pause & reflect

What false security needs to give way to humble trust?

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