

The Book of Nahum

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and a revenger:
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a revenger,
and hath wrath:
the Lord taketh
vengeance
on his adversaries,
and he is
angry
with his enemies. ³

The Lord is
patient,
and great
in power,
and will
not cleanse
and acquit
the guilty. The
Lord's ways
in a tempest,
and a whirlwind,
and clouds
dust of his
feet. ⁴ He rebuketh
the sea,
and drieth
it up:
and bringeth
all the rivers
to be a desert.
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languisheth,
and Carmel:
and the dower of
Libanus fadeth away. ⁵ The
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at him,
and the hills
are made desolate:
and the earth
hath quaked
at his presence,
and the world
that dwell therein. ⁶
Who can stand
before the face

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 Though|strong = "H0518" they|strong = "H0518" were perfect|strong = "H8003": and|strong = "H3068" many|strong = "H7227" of|strong = "H3068" them|strong = "H5750" so|strong = "H3651", yet|strong = "H5750" thus|strong = "H3541" shall|strong = "H3068" they|strong = "H0518" be|strong = "H5750" cut|strong = "H1494" off|strong = "H1494", and|strong = "H3068" he|strong = "H0518" shall|strong = "H3068" pass|strong = "H5674": I|strong = "H0518" have|strong = "H3068" afflicted|strong = "H3541" thee, and|strong = "H3068"

I will afflict thee no more.¹³ And now I will break in pieces his rod with which he struck thy back, and I will burst thy bonds asunder.¹⁴ And the Lord will give thee, that concerning no name shall be sown: I will destroy and molten thing out of the house of thy God, I will make it thy grave, for thou art disgraced.¹⁵ Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, and that preacheth peace: O Juda, keep thy festivals, and pay thy vows: for Belial shall no more pass through thee again, he is utterly cut off.

2 He shall keep watch thy loins, strengthen thy power exceedingly.² For the Lord hath rendered the pride of Jacob, as the pride of Israel: because the spoilers have laid them waste, and have marred their vine branches.³ The shield of his mighty men is like fire, the men of his army are clad in scarlet, the reins of the chariot are flaming in the day of his preparation, and the drivers are stupefied.⁴ They are in confusion in the ways, the

chariots|strong = "H7393" jostle one|strong = "H0376"
 against|strong = "H0376" another|strong = "H0376" in|strong = "H3117"
 the|strong = "H3117" streets: their|strong = "H3559" looks
 are|strong = "H3117" like|strong = "H0376" torches, like|strong = "H0376"
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 He|strong = "H2351" will muster up his|strong = "H7323" valiant men,
 they|strong = "H7323" shall stumble in|strong = "H7393" their march:
 they|strong = "H7323" shall quickly|strong = "H7323" get upon
 the|strong = "H1984" walls thereof: and|strong = "H7393" a|strong = "H2351"
 covering shall be|strong = "H4758" prepared. ⁶ The|strong = "H2142" gates
 of|strong = "H2346" the|strong = "H2142" rivers are|strong = "H2346"
 opened, and|strong = "H4116" the|strong = "H2142" temple is thrown
 down|strong = "H3782" to|strong = "H4116" the|strong = "H2142" ground. ⁷
 And|strong = "H8179" the|strong = "H8179" soldier is|strong = "H5104" led
 away|strong = "H4127" captive: and|strong = "H8179" her|strong = "H8179"
 bondwomen were|strong = "H8179" led away|strong = "H4127" mourning
 as|strong = "H8179" doves, murmuring in|strong = "H1964" their hearts. ⁸
 And|strong = "H6963" as|strong = "H3824" for|strong = "H5921" Ninive,
 her|strong = "H1540" waters are|strong = "H5927" like|strong = "H5927"
 a|strong = "H5921" great pool, but|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921"
 men flee away|strong = "H1540". They|strong = "H5921"
 cry|strong = "H6963": Stand|strong = "H5324", stand|strong = "H5324",
 but|strong = "H5921" there|strong = "H5927" is|strong = "H6963" none
 that|strong = "H5927" will|strong = "H3824" return back|strong = "H5927".
⁹ Take|strong = "H5975" ye the|strong = "H3117" spoil of|strong = "H3117"
 the|strong = "H3117" silver, take|strong = "H5975" the|strong = "H3117"
 spoil of|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3117" gold: for|strong = "H4325"
 there|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H0369" end
 of|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3117" riches of|strong = "H3117"
 all|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3117" precious furniture. ¹⁰ She
 is|strong = "H0369" destroyed|strong = "H0369", and|strong = "H3701" rent,
 and|strong = "H3701" torn: the|strong = "H3605" heart melteth,
 and|strong = "H3701" the|strong = "H3605" knees fail, and|strong = "H3701"
 all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" loins lose their|strong = "H3605"
 strength: and|strong = "H3701" the|strong = "H3605" faces
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 are|strong = "H0369" as|strong = "H0962" the|strong = "H3605" blackness
 of|strong = "H3627" a|strong = "H0369" kettle. ¹¹ Where
 is|strong = "H3820" now the|strong = "H3605" dwelling of|strong = "H6440"
 the|strong = "H3605" lions, and|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H3605"
 feeding place|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H3605"
 young lions, to|strong = "H3820" which the|strong = "H3605" lion
 went|strong = "H6440", to|strong = "H3820" enter in|strong = "H6440"
 thither, the|strong = "H3605" young lion, and|strong = "H6440"
 there|strong = "H3605" was|strong = "H3820" none|strong = "H3605"
 to|strong = "H3820" make|strong = "H4549" them|strong = "H6440" afraid?

¹² The lion caught enough for his whelps, and killed for his lionesses: and he filled his holes with prey, and his den with rapine. ¹³ Behold I come against thee, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will burn thy chariots even to smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey out of the land, and thy messengers shall be heard no more.

Woe to thee, O city of blood, all full of lies and violence: rapine shall depart from thee. ² The noise of the whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and the neighing horse, and the running chariot, and the horsemen coming up, ³ And the shining sword, and the glittering spear, and the multitude slain, and the grievous destruction: and there is no end of the carcasses, and they shall fall down on their dead bodies. ⁴ Because of the multitude of fornications that harlot that was beautiful and agreeable, and

that|strong = "H1471" made use of|strong = "H4940" witchcraft,
 that|strong = "H1471" sold|strong = "H4376" nations|strong = "H1471"
 through her fornications, and|strong = "H1471" families|strong = "H4940"
 through her witchcrafts|strong = "H3785". ⁵ Behold|strong = "H2005"
 I|strong = "H2005" come|strong = "H6635" against|strong = "H5921" thee,
 saith the|strong = "H6440" Lord|strong = "H3068" of|strong = "H3068"
 hosts|strong = "H6635": and|strong = "H3068" I|strong = "H2005"
 will|strong = "H3068" discover thy shame|strong = "H7036"
 to|strong = "H0413" thy face|strong = "H6440", and|strong = "H3068"
 will|strong = "H3068" shew thy nakedness|strong = "H4626"
 to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H6440" nations|strong = "H1471",
 and|strong = "H3068" thy shame|strong = "H7036" to|strong = "H0413"
 kingdoms|strong = "H4467". ⁶ And|strong = "H8251" I|strong = "H7760"
 will cast|strong = "H7993" abominations|strong = "H8251"
 upon|strong = "H5921" thee, and|strong = "H8251" will disgrace thee,
 and|strong = "H8251" will make|strong = "H7760" an|strong = "H7760"
 example of|strong = "H5921" thee. ⁷ And|strong = "H7200"
 it|strong = "H7200" shall|strong = "H4310" come|strong = "H1961"
 to|strong = "H0559" pass|strong = "H1961" that|strong = "H3605"
 every|strong = "H3605" one|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605"
 shall|strong = "H4310" see|strong = "H7200" thee, shall|strong = "H4310"
 flee|strong = "H5074" from|strong = "H4480" thee, and|strong = "H7200"
 shall|strong = "H4310" say|strong = "H0559": Ninive is|strong = "H4310" laid
 waste|strong = "H7703": who|strong = "H4310" shall|strong = "H4310"
 bemoan thee? whence shall|strong = "H4310" I|strong = "H7200"
 seek|strong = "H1245" a|strong = "H1961" comforter|strong = "H5162"
 for|strong = "H3605" thee? ⁸ Art thou better|strong = "H3190" than
 the|strong = "H0834" populous Alexandria, that|strong = "H0834" dwelleth
 among|strong = "H3427" the|strong = "H0834" rivers|strong = "H2975"?
 waters|strong = "H4325" are|strong = "H0834" round|strong = "H5439"
 about|strong = "H5439" it|strong = "H5439": the|strong = "H0834"
 sea|strong = "H3220" is|strong = "H0834" its|strong = "H5439" riches,
 the|strong = "H0834" waters|strong = "H4325" are|strong = "H0834"
 its|strong = "H5439" walls|strong = "H2346". ⁹ Ethiopia|strong = "H3568"
 and|strong = "H4714" Egypt|strong = "H4714" were|strong = "H1961"
 the|strong = "H1961" strength thereof, and|strong = "H4714"
 there|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H0369"
 end|strong = "H7097": Africa and|strong = "H4714" the|strong = "H1961"
 Libyans|strong = "H3864" were|strong = "H1961" thy
 helpers|strong = "H5833". ¹⁰ Yet|strong = "H1571" she|strong = "H1931"
 also|strong = "H1571" was|strong = "H1931" removed and|strong = "H1980"
 carried|strong = "H1980" into|strong = "H1980" captivity|strong = "H7628":
 her|strong = "H3605" young children|strong = "H5768"
 were|strong = "H1571" dashed|strong = "H7376" in|strong = "H5921"
 pieces|strong = "H7376" at|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H3605"
 top|strong = "H7218" of|strong = "H7218" every|strong = "H3605"

street|strong="H2351", and|strong="H1980" they|strong="H5921"
 cast|strong="H3032" lots|strong="H1486" upon|strong="H5921"
 her|strong="H3605" nobles|strong="H3513", and|strong="H1980"
 all|strong="H3605" her|strong="H3605" great|strong="H1419"
 men|strong="H7218" were|strong="H1571" bound|strong="H7576"
 in|strong="H5921" fetters. ¹¹ Therefore|strong="H1571" thou
 also|strong="H1571" shalt be|strong="H1961" made|strong="H1961"
 drunk|strong="H7937", and|strong="H1961" shalt be|strong="H1961"
 despised: and|strong="H1961" thou shalt seek|strong="H1245" help
 from|strong="H1961" the|strong="H1961" enemy|strong="H0341". ¹²
 All|strong="H3605" thy strong holds shall|strong="H6310"
 be|strong="H3605" like|strong="H5973" fig|strong="H8384"
 trees|strong="H8384" with|strong="H5973" their|strong="H3605" green
 figs|strong="H8384": if|strong="H0518" they|strong="H0518"
 be|strong="H3605" shaken|strong="H5128", they|strong="H0518"
 shall|strong="H6310" fall|strong="H5307" into|strong="H5921"
 the|strong="H3605" mouth|strong="H6310" of|strong="H5921"
 the|strong="H3605" eater|strong="H0398". ¹³ Behold|strong="H2009"
 thy people|strong="H5971" in|strong="H0776" the|strong="H0398"
 midst|strong="H7130" of|strong="H0776" thee are|strong="H0776"
 women|strong="H0802": the|strong="H0398" gates|strong="H8179"
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 be|strong="H0776" set wide open|strong="H6605" to|strong="H0776" thy
 enemies|strong="H0341", the|strong="H0398" fire|strong="H0784"
 shall|strong="H0776" devour|strong="H0398" thy bars|strong="H1280".
¹⁴ Draw|strong="H7579" thee water|strong="H4325" for|strong="H4325"
 the|strong="H0935" siege|strong="H4692", build up|strong="H0935" thy
 bulwarks: go|strong="H0935" into|strong="H0935" the|strong="H0935"
 clay|strong="H2916", and|strong="H0935" tread|strong="H7429", work
 it|strong="H0935" and|strong="H0935" make|strong="H2388"
 brick|strong="H4404". ¹⁵ There|strong="H8033" shall|strong="H3772"
 the|strong="H0398" fire|strong="H0784" devour|strong="H0398" thee:
 thou shalt perish|strong="H3772" by|strong="H0784"
 the|strong="H0398" sword|strong="H2719", it|strong="H0398"
 shall|strong="H3772" devour|strong="H0398" thee like|strong="H8033"
 the|strong="H0398" bruchus: assemble together like|strong="H8033"
 the|strong="H0398" bruchus, make|strong="H3772" thyself many
 like|strong="H8033" the|strong="H0398" locust|strong="H0697". ¹⁶
 Thou hast multiplied|strong="H7235" thy merchandises above
 the|strong="H6584" stars|strong="H3556" of|strong="H3556"
 heaven|strong="H8064": the|strong="H6584" bruchus hath spread himself
 and|strong="H8064" flown away. ¹⁷ Thy guards|strong="H3045"
 are|strong="H3117" like|strong="H3808" the|strong="H3117"
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 like|strong="H3808" the|strong="H3117" locusts|strong="H0697"
 of|strong="H3117" locusts|strong="H0697" which swarm