Nahum 1:1-15

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[0:00] Good morning. Good morning. To be in the old testament this morning, I'm going to open it up after that.

It's a book of Mayhem. It's a book of Mayhem. It's a difficult book.

It's a stazying book. It's a book of prophecy against the city of Nunn. Nunn of a...

had the front and center stage in the Bible. Two books previous to this, and the book of Jonah. This is the city of Jonah. This batch to my guide, to go and preach to.

And to go and preach to God. God was going to send His wrath and His judgment upon Nunn of it. And we all know the account of Jonah.

[0:59] Jonah didn't do what he told you to do. He didn't go where you're supposed to. And I guess all about fish. God called the fish to vomit Jonah back up on the shore. Jonah ran to Nunn of it, preached his message.

And the whole city repented. And that was that. And we know when Jonah, Jonah wasn't happy with that. So it was Jonah being a Jew.

He pulled that bunch of Gentiles, people of Pagan's, those heathens to receive the mercy of God. Jonah, God said, well there was never a list, but Nunn of I was repented there in the book of Jonah.

And now we're a little further into the future for the name of prophecy going on. And as I said, it's a rough book to read.

We read about the true nature of God. The true nature, I should say. God is good. God is wonderful. God is love. God is grace.

[2:01] God is long-suffering. God is patient. And the Pope's God is also God of fury. He's God of wrath. He's a God of judgment. He's a God of indignation.

And several other things. We spend the rest of the morning going through the list of things that God did on both sides of the coin. And we're going to see both of those sides and what we're going to read this morning.

So we're going to do quite a bit of reading in the first chapter of Naom. We'll just pick up in verse 1, the book of Naom in chapter 1.

It says, The burden of none of them, the book of the vision of Naom, they alka-shine. God is jealous in the Lord's revengeance. The Lord's revengeance and his furious. The Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveeth wrath for his enemies.

The Lord is slow to anger and great in power and will not at all acquit the wicked. The Lord hath his way in the whirlwind, and in the storm, and in the clouds of the dust of his feet.

[3:06] He rebukeeth the sea, and maketh it dry, and driveeth up all the rivers. But shan, languisheth in caramel, and the flower of leaven languisheth. And the mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence.

Yea, the world, and all that dwell therein. Who can stand before his indignation, and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? His fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and he knoweth them that trust in him. But with an overrunning flood, he will make another end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

What do you imagine against the Lord? He will make another end, affliction shall not rise up the second time. For while they be folding together as storms, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble, fully dry.

There is one come out of thee that imagines evil against the Lord, a wicked counselor. Thus saith the Lord, though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through, though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

[4:22] For now I will break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sundry. I have given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown. The house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image.

I will make thy grave for thou art bound. Behold upon the mountains, the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace. O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows, for the wicked shall no more pass through thee.

He is utterly cut off. It is a heavy thing that he is going to be delivering to them.

Something that is unique about this as opposed to the other prophets. As opposed to the other prophets, as he says, this is written in a book for him.

The other ones don't say that, none of the other prophets make that claim, but they and does. He is writing this in a book to have it delivered unto the city of Nineveh to tell them that judgment is coming.

[5:53] Many years before this, Jonah made the same claim unto the same city, unto the same top of people. The Ninevots, they were wicked people.

They were pagans, they were heathens, they had many gods. They were polytheistic in their religion. They were brutal people. They were violent people, and they were proud people.

You can read all about these things in the third chapter of the book of Deum. There are very reasons that God is bringing judgment against them. They were proud of their sin.

They were proud of their wickedness. They were proud that they used people. They were proud of the things that they done. And these were the reasons why God was bringing judgment down.

It will be no different. I can assure you now, it will be no different when God brings one final judgment on this earth, when God brings the judgment that is spoken about in the Scriptures.

[6:56] It will be because of the pride of the people. It will be because the people were too proud to turn into God. They were too proud to admit that they were sinners. They were too proud to admit that they needed a savior in the Son Jesus Christ.

These will be the reasons people will say that homosexuality is the sin that will drag America down. They say that abortion is the sin that will drag America down.

Folks, I tell you now that pride and idolatry are the very things that drug the nations down in the Old Testament Scriptures. And it will be no different in the future.

It will be pride, and it will be idolatry, and idolatrous hearts that drag nations down in the future when God brings judgment on this world, when God consumes this world with pride, when God does the things that the Scripture says, the Bible says that the entire world will be consumed with a firmened hate according to what I read in the writings of Peter.

I promise you these other sins, yes, they play a part and they all link back to pride, the pride and idolatry of the very things that God was sending judgment to none of the four.

[8:15] The Bible says here that God is jealous and the Lord revenged, the Lord revenged and his spirit as the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries and he reserve a threat for his enemies.

Praise God, his wrath is reserved for his enemies because of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and because God lived down on me one day in mercy and compassion and convicted my heart of the sin and convicted my heart of the pride and the idolatry that I had in my own life because of Jesus Christ and his shed blood because of these things I will never taste what the wrath of the Lord in God feels like.

Because of Jesus Christ I will never know what hell looks like because of Jesus Christ. I have God in the Holy Spirit abiding within me and I will never have to face the fury or the wrath or the judgment of the God that is promised, Nineveh, in this scripture that judgment is coming and there is nothing that anyone, nothing that any army, nothing that any little gods can do for them.

Hallelujah, this is the God that I serve. I'm just talking to you. This is the God of the scriptures. The church world nowadays has created a God on its own.

It created a God that is nothing but love. He is nothing but compassion and He is nothing but mercy. Folks, I'm telling you now this is the God that you have in your mind that is an idol, that is not the God of the scripture.

[10:03] For the God of the scriptures is righteous, the God of the scriptures is holy, the God of the scriptures is pure and a just and a holy and a righteous and a pure God.

Must punish sin, it is inevitable and it is impossible for sin to not be punished. So I tell you now, if you are here now without Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior of your life, if you are sitting underneath the sound of my voice, the wrath of God, the God upon you, the Bible says that God is angry with the wicked every day.

This is the God of the scriptures that I am describing to you. It is not the God that much of the church world has adopted.

God is pure and God is love and God is all these things but God must punish sin. And I can assure you that if you don't accept the sacrifice that Jesus Christ made in the cross and Calary, if you don't accept His shed blood, the blood of your sins, if you don't trust in His shed blood for the remission of your sin, if you're not trusting in these things both you are trusting in the wrong thing.

Don't trust in yourself and don't trust in some other religion. Don't trust in some other God. Don't trust in your money in the copper. Don't trust in the deeds that you do or the works that you perform.

[11:33] These things will all come to naught one day after a while. But the blood of Jesus Christ is eternal in the salvation of Jesus Christ through the blood of the only begotten Son of the Father is eternal.

These are the things that will last. These are the things that will sustain. And these are the things that will get you to heaven. None of us are recanted in Jonah's days.

None of us are repentant, your Lord. And God spared. God spared the Ninevice. He spared a bunch of heathen. He spared a bunch of pagans.

Folks, He done the same thing for me. He done the same thing for you when He saved your soul. I talked about it in Sunday school just this morning and I'll reiterate it here. God did not save you because of who you are.

God did not save you because of your goodness and because of your righteousness. God saved you because God is good and because God is righteous and because God wanted to have communion and wanted a relationship with His creation.

[12:41] When the Ninevice repented over in the book of Jonah, hey, they repented their ways. They were in the sackcloth. They were in the ash. They fasted. They dined. All of these things and they done them rightly. And God spared the Ninevice.

But here we are. And may Him is making a prophecy to the city of Nineveh that will come to pass a hundred years after they have repented. Hey, folks, you may think a century's a long time, but I'll tell you now.

Nineveh was brought up in Genesis chapter 10. It had been there for a long time. It had been a hub of evil and a wickedness for a long time.

And then they repented and God spared them. But here they are a hundred or so years later about to bring the wrath of God upon themselves.

Wow. Because they forgot God. They forgot their repentance. They forgot what they had done. And you will never, ever, ever convince me that the grandfathers and the fathers and the grandmothers and the mothers that were alive in Jonah's day.

[13:55] Some of them could have been alive when they was given this prophecy right here. But you will never convince me they hadn't passed down the story of how this Hebrew man named Jonah had come into their city and preached repentance.

He came into their city. He said, just a few days God's going to bring his wrath. In just a few days he bring his judgment and the king of the Nineveh. He called for the faith. He called for the sackcloth. He called for the repentance.

And everybody in the city repented and God spared all hundred and twenty thousand people that were in that city. And you'll never convince me that the tales and the stories of this work passed down.

But the children, they decided, hey, it's not that important now. It doesn't matter now. We've got to be with God. Well, obviously God has not rained down his spirit. He has not rained down his wrath.

I can assure you people that God one day is raining down his wrath upon this entire world that has rejected the sacrifice of his son, Jesus Christ.

That's the attitude of a lot of people now though. Where is God? Where is God? God is still on the throne. And Christ is still in his right hand, making an intercession for me and making an intercession for you. If you were born a big again, but God has never left the throne.

He has never left his position of authority. Nor will he ever leave it. He is God. He is the Creator. He is the maker. And he is the master of not only this world which we live on, but the entire universe that he spoke into existence.

Himself God is the maker and the master of this. And he will never give up his authority. Nor will his authority ever be usurped by an outside force. Satan may try, but I can assure you Satan's trials and attempts have failed up till now and they will fail.

Amen to the future. He has defeated death and hell and the grave. My Jesus has done these things and he will continue to be victorious and bring me into his victorious kingdom one day after a while.

Now look, these nail bots, they have slid right back into their idolatry. They have slid right back into their old ways. They slid right back into what they have repented from. What they have repented. Ah, they have slid right back into these things.

[16:35] The name here is describing to God to them that will bring judgment. He says, he's slowed anger and great in power. Post the hundred years between Jonah and the time that Nineveh was destroyed, it wasn't a hundred years when they had delivered this prophecy.

That wouldn't happen to a few more decades later, but it was a hundred years from the time they repented, or about a hundred years to the time that the Babylonians came in and destroyed the city Nineveh.

A hundred years. That's all it took. And you may say, that's a long time, folks. Not in the grand scheme of things. That's not very long at all. A hundred years is a long to forget where you come from. A hundred years is a long to think about the community that you live in.

Hey, I remember when I was growing up, I didn't hear about some of the things that I hear about now. Hey, when I was growing up, if we heard about a murder on the news, it was great news to us. It was something that we didn't hear every day. Now we've grown so cold to it.

We've become so jaded to these news that we just brush it off of our shoulders and we go on and we continue on with life, folks. Hey, if sand creeps into your life, it will be the same way. It might offend you for just a little while.

[17:53] It might bother you that you offended the wrath of the God of the universe, but the more you let it creep in, and the more you let it take over, the less it's going to bother you, and the less your back's sliding, we'll get to you.

And before you know it, you give up Sunday evening. Before you know it, you've given up the midweek. Before you know it, you're not praying like you used to. You're not reading the Bible like you used to.

And before you know it, you are in a complete, back-slipping state on the one that saved your soul. That's right. And how things happened, folks, it happened the same way with the Nine of Ices. I guarantee you what men over not think for them.

They probably lived in fear for years, for years because of one message. Just a few words. I believe it was seven words that Jonah preached to the Nine of Ices. But he said, judgment is coming in those few words that he preached. And I guarantee you the entire city lived in fear through that time. God has slowed an anger. He didn't immediately bring his judgment on men of Ices.

A hundred years between the time Jonah preached to the time that it was finally destroyed by the Babylonian army when it came in. A hundred years. Don't tell me God's not patient. Don't tell me he's not long suffering. There's people now that say, and I've heard it said myself, that God didn't give the people in Noah's day enough time.

[19:23] They say they should have let preachers, or Noah preached for just a little bit longer. Folks, my Bible teaches that Noah preached for 120 years. And I don't read about one person in 120 years that came to Noah and said, I believe in this rain that you're talking about. I believe in this God that you're talking about.

The Bible says that Noah was a preacher of righteousness. And I promise you, if he was preaching righteousness, he was preaching God. He was preaching the love of God. He was preaching the justice of God. And he was preaching the wrath of God.

All at the same time, that's exactly what Nahum was doing here in this book that he was going to send into the city of Nineveh. He was preaching about the wrath of God and the fury of God. The praise God for verse 7 says, the Lord is good and a stronghold in the day of trouble.

And he knoweth them, he knoweth them to trust in him. Hey, we read all these, what we would consider to be bad things about God. We read about this judgment that's coming.

But in the midst of all of this, and in the midst of all the trouble, he throws in this line. I believe this was for his believing brethren that were there as well. The Lord is good regardless of what we see in our lives, regardless of how your life may be troubling from underneath you, regardless of how many doors get shut in your face or anything else that goes on in your life.

[20:52] It does not change the fact that God is good. It doesn't matter what even comes your way. It's still good. Amen. God is good no matter how the world treats you, no matter how your family treats you, no matter how a spouse might treat you, or your children might treat you, no matter how the world might talk about you, regardless of any of these things.

And God is still good. People will say, well, why is there cancer in the world? Why is there sickness? Why is there death? Why do these things happen? I'll tell you why they happen. The Bible teaches these things are in existence because of sin.

There is sin in your life. There is sin in my life. There was sin that creeped in with Adam and Eve. And the cause of the sin that creeped in Adam and Eve, everything about them, why we inherited on into the future.

God created them as perfect beings for His service. For His service He created Adam, put them in the garden to till it and to keep it. That was Adam's priestly duty to God. That was his priestly duty to his maker.

What happened? The sin created him. The sin came and temptation came first and temptation gave way to sin. Folks, it will happen like that in your life. You be careful, Christians. You be careful, fellow believers. You be careful. Have no spirit or loss. This applies. You do judgments come.

[22:17] Judgments come. But hey, God gave space for repentance. Thank God. He gave these nine of us a hundred years between the preaching of Jonah and the destruction of that city. He gave the entire world 120 years in the book of Genesis.

For even one person to repent and to trust what Noah was preaching and no one did. You will never convince me that if Noah had preached for 121 years that someone would have gotten saved.

The entire world was against Jonah. It was against Noah and his time. The entire city of Nineveh here was against God. He was bringing judgment on them all.

He slowed anger, but he's great in power. He says, the Lord had his way, the world, and then the storm and the clouds of the dust of his feet. He's describing God to them, continuing to describe God to them.

He says, he has his way in the world. And he goes, I read the Bible where God spoke to Jonah out of the world when God descended upon Mount Sinai to give the Ten Commandments to Moses to deliver to his people the Israel life.

[23:34] When he descended, he descended in a storm and in a tempest there on the mount. Hey, God has his way in the whirlwind. God has his way in the storm. Those storms and those whirlwinds, hey, the greatest calamities that have ever naturally happened on this earth are no mechs to my God.

My God created the earth which these things have happened on. And when these things happen, and when great calamities happen to cities and the countries and the kingdoms and the communities and all these other things, hey, both God does not describe God by surprise.

He knew it was coming. He allowed it to happen for his glory that the works of God and the righteousness of God could be manifest in the people that are affected.

Hallelujah. So many turn against God. So many turn against God. These Ninebots here had turned against God.

They have asked the question in verse 6, who can stand before his intervention? How can you sure he can? No one can stand against the judgment of God. This is not just Old Testament. This is something that is brought up in the New Testament as well.

[24:49] In Revelation 6, we begin reading about the seals that are broken. Now, the sixth seal is broken. We read about the kings. We read about the chief people and the princes. We read about those that are high up as far as their clout goes.

We read about everyone that are running to the hills and they're begging for the rocks to fall and it says who can stand against the Lord. It asks the same question there. In Revelation 6, Hapel's Nail here is asking the question, 500 years before that was ever written, he's asking the same question, who can stand before his intervention and who can abide by the fierceness of his anger. His fury is poured out like fire and the rocks are thrown down by him. Again, he's describing Almighty God. He's saying, hey, he's the one that's towing the rocks. He's the one that's showing all this indignation. He's showing his anger. He's showing his fury. Remember, these Ninevots, they were polytheistic. They had many gods that they worshiped for many different reasons. He's the Fennel here. He's telling them this is the God and this is the only God. He's the one that created this world. He created the rocks. He created the universe and he can use anything at his disposal because he is the very creator of it.

He's warning them about who they're dealing with. What do you imagine first now? What do you imagine against the Lord? He will make another end. Affliction shall not rise up the second time. What do you imagine against the Lord? What do you imagine? The Assyrians had a leader called the Sennacherim.

The Sennacherim imagined evil things against the Lord. The Sennacherim imagined evil things against the God's people, against the Lord's people. And God brought those things to naught. God brought that army to naught when they were coming against his people. He says, what do you imagine against the Lord?

He will make another end. Another end of what? Remember this is a prophecy against Nineveh. Now we can take it because we have the New Testament. They didn't have that this time. We can take it and look on into the future with that. He's going to make another end of everything, folks. He's going to make another end of this world that we live on.

[27:10] This world is just as cursed as we were when Sennacherim, the God, and the world groans for her rebirth. And God is going to create a new heaven and a new world. Today's God, I read about it in the New Testament. I read about it in the writings of Peter. I read about it in the Book of Revelation. There's going to be a new heaven and there's going to be a new earth.

And while the righteousness apples on the board to that day, I look forward to the time that that actually happens. But as of right now, we're still living in this corrupted world. We're still living amongst the evil. We're still living amongst the wickedness. And we must wait on God in his good time. And in his good deciding of when to do away with this world.

You can stand against him and what do we imagine? You'll make another end. Now folks, this verse seems to have a gleam of hope about it. It says, Affliction shall not rise up the second time.

O some noise, leave my home. Let's talk about the other destruction of God. He says, Affliction shall not rise up the second time. In other words, I'm going to do it so well the first time. And I'm going to do it so thoroughly. I'm going to destroy it in heaven. And I'm going to destroy everything that it represents. I'm going to do it so well the first time.

There'll be no need for a second stroke of my rod. There'll be no need for me to come there again. There'll be no need for me to send angels, for me to send commandment, for me to speak it from out front upon high.

[28:49] Because the first time will be well enough that there will be no second affliction to the Ninevives. For while they be folding their thorns while they're drunk and drunk, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

In other words, while they're, while they're folded together, what do you do with thorns whenever you find them? They try your best to separate them if they can't. They're in a big boat, just throw the whole thing into the fire. You throw the whole thing in there to burn. It says that while they're drunk and as drunkers, they folks, it don't take a whole lot of effort to push a drunk man down.

They don't take a whole lot of effort to overtake a drunk man. He says they shall be devoured as stubble that is fully dry. This is how thoroughly Almighty God is going to bring judgment on this city of Nineveh.

And once again, he tells them later on in the scriptures exactly why it's because of their wicked ways. It's because of their idolatry and it's because of their pride that he is bringing these things.

He says this is what there is one kind of value of the imaginary evil against the Lord, a wicked counselor. Thus said the Lord, they shall be quiet and likewise many, yet thus they shall be, shall they be cut down when he shall pass through, though I have afflicted the evil afflict thee no more.

[30:00] It says that they shall be quiet and likewise many, this was men of his comfort. This was what they were depending on. They were depending on their numbers. They were depending on the fact that no one had ever overtaken that city.

They were depending on the walls that they had built. They were depending on their gods and they were depending on their own efforts to keep themselves safe. And they were at peace with these things.

That's why the scripture says, though they be quiet, that God says, I'm going to come through and I'm going to cut them down. The righteous indignation of Almighty God cannot be withstood by the world's largest and no spare army.

They cannot be withstood by man at all. He God says, you trust in these things, all you want but judgment is coming. And I warn you now, you trust in yourself. You trust in your works. You trust in your deeds. You trust in your own righteousness.

God's judgment will come. God's judgment will come. Sin must be punished. And if it wasn't punished for you personally, for you personally, if it wasn't punished from across the Calvary 2,000 years ago, it will be punished forever and for all eternity in a place called hell.

[31:18] That's for you personally. Sin was punished. The Bible says he knew those sins and became sin for a person. Every man hanging upon a tree. Sin was punished on that cross. Your sin was placed on Jesus' cross. My sin was nailed to that cross. And I praise God that it was.

Jesus' cross took the punishment from me but with you. Do not accept this sacrifice that Jesus crossed made you will pay for your own sin over and over and over and over and over again. In a place called hell, it will never be fully accounted for. It will never be fully paid for.

According to the scriptures in the Old Testament, hey, they had to make that atonement every year and it didn't walk away sins. It just rolled them back for a little while. And the sacrifices had to be made over and over.

And praise God in the book of Hebrews. We read that Jesus Christ once and for all sacrificed himself for an entire world of lost sinners that did not deserve forgiveness. And that was a once and for all sacrifice. Praise God.

Just a few warnings. For now I break this yoke from off the and my first side barn is in the sun. You're not going by men over now. You're talking about those men of his holy chapter of God's people.

[32:39] He said, I'm breaking the yoke of Nineveh off of you. I'm breaking you away from this bondage that you've been under. I'm breaking you away from the suppressor and the Lord has given me a command concerning thee that no more thy name be so and he's back to Nineveh.

And this no more thy name be so and he's saying, your destruction will be so complete and so total that your name won't even be known. The Nineveh's name will not even be known.

Listen to me. When Nineveh was destroyed, it was the 1840s before anybody found any archaeological evidence that Nineveh ever existed. Alexander the Great fought very close to where Nineveh once stood. Had no idea that he was even there. Had no idea a great city had even stood there back in his day.

It was the 1840s before anything was ever discovered to deal with Nineveh. Now there's so little of Nineveh known even now here in 2022, almost 2023. There's still a debate on which side of the river is stood on.

That's how completely God destroyed it. Folks, that's how completely God willed on his sin. And like I said, without Jesus Christ, you will completely pay for your own sin for all eternity. All eternity. You will die over and over will be continuous state of death.

[34:10] There will be perpetual death, perpetual pain, perpetual suffering, and it will last forever and forever and forever. The Bible describes hell so many ways, and I still ain't sure exactly what it looks like.

Or exactly what it's like. It describes heaven a few ways. I'm still not exactly what heaven looks like. The folks are going to assure you, we'll go to that place. These Ninevives, they didn't want to be there when God called his judgment, but he called it and everyone in the city suffered because of their pride. Because of their, as always, the Lord has given a commandment concerning me that no more thy name be sown. How do thy house, thy gods, will, will I cut off the great, out of the house, all thy gods, will I cut off the graven images and molten image, I will make thy grave for thou art vile.

God tell them the Ninevives, you worship these other gods after I forgave you, after you repented and I sparen you.

God's saying, I'm going to cut off these images. Folks, we know from the tape amendments in Exodus chapter 20, that we are not to make a graven image and that God will have no God before him. The Bible says that he is God and beside him, there is no other. God will not share his glory. God will not share his holiness. God will not share the praise that is due him with another God.

This is the idolatry that we've been talking about here. He says, I'll cut off the graven image and the molten image, I will make thy grave for thou art vile. I say, I'm going to make your grave right where you stand. And like I said, it was the 1840s before anything to do with Ninevives was ever discovered.

And they still know very little about it, even after Arkadalive from Diggs for almost 200 years now. Behold, upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings that publisheth peace. O Jude, if ye thought so, then peace, perform thy vows. For the wicked shall no more pass through thee, he is utterly cut off.

Behold, upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings. Isaiah makes a very similar statement like this in his writings. But the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, the name is writing about this like it's already happened.

And it happened. The folks I can promise you, if God says it will come to pass, if God says it's going to happen, I can assure you that it will come to pass.

If the Bible says that it's coming, I can promise you it is coming. We live in a world, Paul lived in a world, Moses lived in a world. Hey, we've all lived in the same world for a long time now, whereas there were all kinds of people saying, where is his coming? Where is this God that you speak of? Where is his power? Where is his majesty?

Hey, both God is still on the throne. He has not left the throne and he's still sending people with good tidings to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to a world that doesn't deserve to hear it.

But God won't send the hear it anyway. I did not deserve to hear of the good news of Jesus Christ. But God saw fit to send someone my way several times over the years and present to me the good news that salvation can be found in a man's heart.

And I make God Jesus Christ and he alone. Hallelujah. We're still sending good tidings. God is still sending good tidings. He tells you to keep thy solemn peace and perform bow bow. In captivity, it's awfully hard for them to do this.

God's saying, I'm breaking this bondage off you. I'm breaking the yolk off of your necks. I'm breaking the bands of sunders that are holding you down.

I am sparing you to be saying, keep your solemn peace. Perform your vows. In other words, do the things which I have told you to do. God over the book of Leviticus, he gave a whole list of faiths that he told the people, that he told his people to keep over the years.

If you're this list of faiths, he's telling you, you keep these things. You keep your worship towards me. You do this because I am the one doing this. Don't think that it's the Babylonian army that's coming in that's going to free you. I'm the one sending the Babylonian army in there to take over Nineveh.

[38:32] I'm the one that's sending them to break it asunder and to break their necks and to do these things. And I'm the one that's sending this other army in to kill those that have been oppressing you. I have done this so you keep your solemn peace toward me.

You keep your worship toward me. You do the vows that I have told you to do and that you have promised towards me. Hey, when God saved your soul, God expects you to keep some solemn peace. God expects you to keep your worship toward him and him alone.

And if you are not doing so, I suggest you get and check your relationship with him. God expects some things of his people. God expects some things when he saves us. I ain't saying we do things to be safe, but when God saves us, he expects us to act like it.

He don't expect us to be like the world. He don't expect us to do like men of us. He'll spare you and then fall right back to where he went. God's spared you from using the what?

Keep us all in peace with the four of our vows and give them the why. Before the wicked man should no more bastard do the use of the cutoff. Folks, when I got saved, God told me the same thing. That's not to say we won't be tempted.

[39:52] That's not to say that temptation won't come our way, that desires, that fleshly desires won't happen. That's not to say these things just disappear or dissipate in the thin air.

But God, when I got saved, placed the Holy Spirit inside of me. And when these things come our way, that Holy Spirit, if I start to give in to that, the Holy Spirit's grieves.

The Holy Spirit will let me know. The Holy Spirit of God will convict me of that. I repeat, I repeat right then and there when that happens, folks. God sent a good time.

He told the people, you're being freed from this oppression that you've been in, from this captivity that you've been under. You're being freed. Keep your solemn peace and your peace days. God bless you all. That's the message for this morning. I appreciate your attention.