**The Great Day of the Lord**

(Zephaniah 1-3)

**I. A Day of Judgment**

1. **On Judah**

* Why
* The Result
* How should they respond?

**B. On the Nations**

**II. A Day of Joy**

**2 Peter 3:10-12 (ESV)** 10  But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. 11  Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, 12  waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!

Main Point*: The Great Day of the Lord is certain. Repent and follow God, so that when it comes, the day of judgement will be for you, a day of joy.*

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| **Assyrian Judgment 734-701 B.C.**  **Prophet Year Location**  Jonah 793-753 Nineveh  Hosea 750-722 Northern Israel 3 invasions: 740-734 B.C., 722 B.C., 701 B.C.  Amos 760-750 Northern Israel (**722 Fall of Samaria** - Assyrian Exile)  Micah 735-701 Judah  Nahum 663-612 Judah  Isaiah 740-701 Judah |
| **Babylonian Judgement 605-586 B.C.**  **Prophet Year Location**  Jeremiah 626-586 Judah  Zephaniah 640-609 Judah  Joel 597-586 Judah 3 Invasions: 605 B.C., 597 B.C., 586/7 B.C.  Obadiah 597-586 Judah (**586 Fall of Jerusalem** - Babylonian Exile)  Habakkuk 605 Judah  Ezekiel 597-586 Babylon  Daniel 605-539 Babylon |
| **Restoration Period 539-400 B.C.**  **Prophet Year Location**  Haggai 520 Jerusalem Rebuilding of Temple Finished 515 B.C.  Zechariah 520 Jerusalem (**538/9 B.C. Return from Exile**)  Malachi 450-400 Jerusalem |

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| **Date** | **Book** | **Subject/Topic** |
| Oct 14 |  | Intro: Intro to Minor Prophets |
| Oct 21 | Hosea | Hosea: This is your last chance |
| Oct 28 | Hosea | Hosea: No Rivals |
| Nov 4 | Hosea | Hosea: God’s Amazing Love |
| Nov 11 | Amos | Amos: Social Justice is Godly |
| Nov 18 | Amos | Amos: The Day of the LORD |
| Nov 25 | Amos | Amos: Judgement & Salvation |
| Dec 2 |  | New Members Sunday |
| Dec 9 |  | SNOW DAY |
| Dec 16 | Joel | Joel: The Day of the LORD |
| Dec 23 | Joel | Joel: The Day of the Church |
| Dec 30 | Habakkuk | Habakkuk: Hope: Always Rejoicing |
| Jan 6 | Phil 4:9 | Practice These Things |

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| Jan 13 | Habakkuk | Habakkuk: Righteous Live by Faith |
| Jan 20 | Jonah | Jonah: The Missionary God |
| Jan 27 | Obadiah | Obadiah: Reveling in Disaster |
| Feb 10 | Micah | Micah: Messiah & the Latter Days |
| Feb 17 | Micah | Micah: What the LORD Requires |
| Feb 24 | Nahum | Nahum: Nineveh’s Impending Fall |
| Mar 3 | Zephaniah | Zephaniah: Judgement & Joy |
| Mar 10 | Haggai | Haggai: Rebuilding Project |
| Mar 17 | Zechariah | Zechariah: Repent & Return to God |
| Mar 24 | Zechariah | Zechariah: 8 Visions |
| Mar 31 | Zechariah | Zechariah: Joshua the High Priest |
| Apr 7 | Malachi | Malachi: Return to Me |
| Apr 14 |  | Summary: Minor Prophets |

**Preaching Schedule**