

# sermon notes



## 2/15/2026 - Zephaniah 1

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- Zephaniah means “The Lord hides,,protects,, or treasures,,
- It’s possible that Zephaniah is the great, great grandson of King Hezekiah
- This would make him a ROYAL PROPHET

## points

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**V2: I will sweep everything away - completely remove all things. This message is for Judah but not everyone will respond correctly. God lays out a list of offenses. How will they respond?**

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### **1. PEOPLE WHO WILL OBEY (TURN AND GO WITH GOD) = REMNANT**

Key: The righteous shall live by Faith. Look at Romans 1:16-17...For I am “not ashamed,, of the gospel.

### **2. PEOPLE THAT GO IN HALFWAY (HALF TURN & NOT FULLY COMMITTED)**

V5: bow down to heaven and by Milcom (Moloch cult that sacrificed children). Lev. 18 & 20 prohibits this. This was a worship of creation: stars and sky. Define LUKEWARM believers of God? Why does this happen?

### **3. PEOPLE REFUSE TO HEAR & RESPOND: IDOLATRY HAS BLINDED THEM**

V4: cut off the remnant of Baal and Baal priests: Canaanite god of prosperity and fertility. The land prospered as did the animals and God’s people gave credit to Baal. Why? Everyone around them, other nations, were doing it!

Leadership is responsible v8, Idol worshippers who violently worship (child sacrifice) v9,  
Complacent believers who said, “the Lord won’t do anything,, v12.