

# NAHUM

## GOD'S JUSTICE REVEALED

### Community Group Questions February 21, 2021

#### It's One and the Same God Nahum 1

##### **Kicking Things Off**

In both Jonah and Nahum, we see God's mercy and God's justice. He is one and the same God! As you cruise through life and think about the world, which do you wish you saw more of, God's justice or God's mercy? Why?

##### **Getting Into It**

Read Nahum 1:1–8. How is God described here?

Now re-read Jonah 4:1–2. How is God described here?

Review the overview of Israel and Judah's history that leads us up to the point of Nahum. What's going on geopolitically, spiritually, etc.?

The gracious and compassionate God we see in the book of Jonah is the exact same God we see here in Nahum who pours out wrath upon the Ninevites. How do we make sense of this? How does God's justice work with God's mercy?

What encouragement do we find in Nahum 1:7 for the believer?

What do we learn of God's sovereignty in this chapter? How is that a comfort for the believer?

According to Nahum 1:9–14, what is Assyria's judgment? Why?

For the Assyrian's, God's judgment means their demise, yet for Judah it means His mercy and their protection. Discuss this.

Sin has its consequences and must be dealt with by a holy God. How is the wrath of God poured out on Jesus for our sin the ultimate demonstration of God's holiness, justice, mercy and love concerning us? (see Romans 5:6–9, 2:4, Romans 8:1–2)

##### **The Parting Shot**

How do we see the gospel at work in both Jonah and Nahum?

Read Ephesians 4:32. What is the application here towards others in the body of Christ and the body of Christ toward the world?

