Zephaniah - Intro notes

Wednesday 9/29/2021

3 chapters 53 verses 1616 words

{not the priest, Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah, Jer 37:1 (2 K 25:18-30) }

1:1 He is the great great grandson of King Hezekiah, 2 Chron 29:1-2.

Zephaniah, his name = 'the LORD is darkness'

Gen 15:12 Exo 20:21 / Deu 5:22 1 K 8:12

Psalm 18:9-11,

Psalm 78:2 Proverbs 1:6

Time of Prophecy 639 - 608 BC

Apostasy had reigned the prior 60 years under kings Manasseh & Amon, 2 K 21:1-7

He's the last of the minor prophets before the captivity.

He prophesies along side of Habakkuk and Jeremiah.

Josiah becomes king in 641 BC at 8 years of age.

Zephaniah begins his prophetic work in 639 BC.

His prophecy was heeded by King Josiah, .

see 2 Chronicles 34:1-7 Proverbs 29:2

Theme

I. Judgment 1:1 - 3:8 the earth 1:2-3

Judah 1:4 - 2:3 all nations 2:4 - 3:8

"the day of the Lord" 1:7 & 14 2:2 & 3

II. Blessing 3:9-20 <u>on</u>

all people 3:9 the poor & afflicted 3:12 remnant Jews 3:13

true worshippers 3:17-18