# Day 1 — God's Justice Will Prevail

Scripture: Nahum 1:2-3

**Reflection:** Nahum begins by declaring the character of God, He is a jealous and avenging God, slow to anger but great in power. This combination of patience and justice is a reminder that God's delays are not His denials. Evil and oppression will not go unpunished forever. While the timing of God's justice may seem slow to us, He acts at the right moment to deal with sin. This should both comfort us in our trials and humble us in our own sin. God's justice is not driven by cruelty, but by His holy love that refuses to let evil win.

**Prayer:** Lord, help me to trust Your justice and timing, even when I can't yet see the outcome. **Action:** Write down an injustice that burdens your heart and pray specifically for God's justice and righteousness to prevail.

# Day 2 — The Lord Is a Stronghold

Scripture: Nahum 1:7

**Reflection:** In the middle of a prophecy of judgment, Nahum gives this beautiful reminder: "The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him." God's judgment and His goodness are not in conflict; they flow from the same holy nature. For those who belong to Him, He is a safe place of protection when life feels overwhelming. This verse invites us to run to Him, not from Him, when trouble comes. He is not just a shelter from the storm; He is the God who walks with us in it.

**Prayer:** God, thank You for being my refuge. Teach me to trust You more deeply in every trial. **Action:** Find one verse today that speaks of God's protection and keep it in front of you as a reminder of His care.

## Day 3 — God Opposes the Proud

Scripture: Nahum 1:12–13

**Reflection:** God speaks against the Assyrians, who had become proud and oppressive. Their military might and political power made them feel untouchable, but God promised to break their yoke and free His people from their grip. Pride often deceives us into thinking we are self-sufficient, but it ultimately leads to our downfall. God lifts the humble but brings down the proud, because humility keeps us dependent on Him. The downfall of Nineveh serves as a reminder that no earthly power can withstand the purposes of God.

**Prayer:** Father, guard me from pride and teach me to depend on You in every area of my life. **Action:** Examine one area of your life where you may be relying on your own strength instead of God's. Surrender it to Him today.

# Day 4 — The Good News of God's Victory

Scripture: Nahum 1:15

**Reflection:** Nahum pictures a messenger running over the mountains, bringing the news that the oppressor has been defeated and peace has come. This foreshadows the ultimate good news, the gospel, that Jesus has defeated sin, death, and the enemy of our souls. Just as Judah was told to celebrate their festivals again, we are called to live in the joy and freedom that comes from Christ's victory. The enemy's power is broken, and we can walk in that truth daily.

**Prayer:** Lord, thank You for the good news of Your victory. Help me to live like I'm truly free in You.

**Action:** Share one way God has set you free with a friend or family member this week.

## Day 5 — No One Can Stand Against Him

Scripture: Nahum 2:13

**Reflection:** God declares directly to Nineveh, "I am against you." These four words should cause us to pause. If God is for us, no one can be against us (Romans 8:31) — but the opposite is also true: if God is against someone, no one can stand. This is a sobering reality that reminds us to live in alignment with His will and not in opposition to Him. God is patient, but when His judgment comes, it is final and unstoppable. For His people, this means we can rest knowing no enemy can overpower His purposes.

**Prayer:** God, I want to live in a way that pleases You. Keep me in step with Your will and aligned with Your purposes.

**Action:** Ask God today if there is any way in your life you are resisting His leading. Commit to obey whatever He reveals.

## Day 6 — The Fall of the Enemy and the Peace of God

Scripture: Nahum 3:18–19

**Reflection:** Nahum ends by describing the complete and final fall of Nineveh. The once-mighty empire that terrorized nations is left in ruins, and all who hear of it clap their hands in relief. God's judgment on evil brings peace and relief to the oppressed. This is the hope we cling to — one day, God will put an end to all evil, pain, and injustice. Until then, we trust Him to be both our refuge and our righteous Judge, holding on to the promise that His kingdom will prevail forever.

**Prayer:** Lord, thank You that evil will not have the last word. Give me the strength to trust You until the day You make all things new.

**Action:** Spend time today thanking God for His justice and asking Him to help you live in hope while you wait for His final victory.

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