

Is a God of *Love* also
a God of **WRATH**? *Nahum 1*

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- Nineveh was proud, idolatrous, and wicked. The theme of Nahum is the coming wrath of God.
- We know that God is a God of love. 1 John 4:8 declares that “*God is love.*” But can a God of love also be a God of wrath? If so, who does God pour out His wrath on? Why doesn’t He pour out wrath immediately on sinners? How can His wrath be avoided?
- We will answer all of these questions in this message as we learn four principles concerning God’s wrath here in Nahum 1.

God’s wrath is _____ against His enemies. vs. 1-3

- “*Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.*” **Romans 12:19**
- God cannot treat _____ as if it is righteousness.
- What makes a person the _____ of God? It is when a person commits acts that are **ungodly** and **unrighteous**.
- How many people today have committed unrighteous deeds?

- *“As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one.”*
Romans 3:10

God’s wrath is _____ immediately poured out on His enemies. vs. 2-3

- *“The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.”* **Psalm 103:8**
- We live in a time of “wrath _____.” The wrath is coming, but God is patiently waiting and longing for people to turn to Him.
- *“Who (God) will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.”* **1 Timothy 2:4**

God’s wrath comes _____ on His enemies. vs. 4-6, 8-14

- The wise man thinks about _____ and the day of God’s wrath before it is too late.

God’s wrath can always be _____ by His enemies. vs. 7, 15

- God has provided a way of escape for all of His enemies in the world. Jesus Christ has made a full and complete payment for the _____ of mankind.
- *“For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.”* **Romans 5:6**
- *“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”* **Romans 5:1**