



# ZEPHANIAH'S MESSAGE



## ZEPHANIAH 1-3

Zephaniah was a prophet who lived in the country of Judah. Zephaniah loved God and told people what God wanted them to hear and do.

Zephaniah told the people that God would punish them. Zephaniah knew about the things the people did while bad kings ruled in Judah. Zephaniah saw kings like Manasseh build altars to worship idols (things that were not God). The bad kings caused the people to go away from God.

Zephaniah told the people to obey God's commands and serve Him.

It was a bad time. Zephaniah had a strong message for the people. Zephaniah wanted people to understand that everyone must obey God. Zephaniah told the people that God would get rid of all their idols. He would stop the people who chose to disobey Him and not follow His laws. One day all the people would worship God and know His love. God would be with the people and bless them.

"God loves and rejoices in His people," said Zephaniah.