

Seek God While You Can

Zephaniah 2.1-15

1. Seek the LORD while you can, 2.1-3

- **a corporate call v1**
gather together
for encouragement Heb 10.15
for stimulation Heb 10.24
for solidarity Ps 133.1,3
- **an urgent call v2**
before ...God's wrath descends
1.7,14
- **a purposeful call v3**
to seek God's mercy 2 Chron 7.14
- **a call for humility v3**
pride is deadly 1 Peter 5.5-6
1 John 1.8; James 4.13-16
humility is about obedience
to God's commands

2. Warnings and Promises, 2.4-15

➤ *the warnings*

who? – all the compass points

west – Philistines vs 4-7

east – Moab, Ammon vs 8-11

Gen 19.30-38

south – Cushites v12

north – Assyria v13-15

why? – opposition to God

- insults, taunts, threats v8,10

Gen 12.3; Mat 5.11-12

1 Pet 4.14; 3.9-12; 2.21-23

- pride, vanity v10,15; Ex 20.2f

➤ *the promises*

who? – the repentant remnant

- the meek will inherit the earth

v7; Mat 5.5; Luke 1.46-53

- God will care for his own v7

- God will restore his people's

fortunes v7; Ps 126.4-6