

PREACHING CURRICULUM

Life Without Blessing

Nahum 2

'...you, are the result of a generous act of God...'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Thinking back to the visit of Jonah to the people of Nineveh (happening before the events and writing of Nahum), why does God preach through the prophets? Why do we preach to the unsaved?

How is God generous in His warnings?

How is God generous in His restoration?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

How does the knowledge that your life is a gift from a generous God shape your life and actions?

When we look inside is there ever any reluctance to see people turn to God, like Jonah had? Why would someone struggle with this?

What is your "Nineveh", and are you loving people more and more like Christ does in order to see life change for God's glory?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

How do you respond when God's truth speaking into your life is a message of rebuke, a call to repentance? Do you truly consider it a kindness as it is called in Romans 2:4?

Do you listen for God's truth spoken through Christian brothers and sisters for life change in yourself even when it is rebuke? Do you accept it? What makes this difficult for us sometimes?

Are you willing to graciously rebuke others for their sake when necessary, or do you shy away? What causes us to shy away from do so?

Is your hope solely in God's generosity? What area of your life is God calling you to surrender even more to Him?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

What will change in your thoughts and actions recognizing in thankfulness God's generosity within your life?