



Monroeville Church of the Brethren

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Sunday, October 12th, 2025

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Ministry to the Homebound

Scripture for the week:

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15

Psalms 111 (2)

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Luke 17:11-19

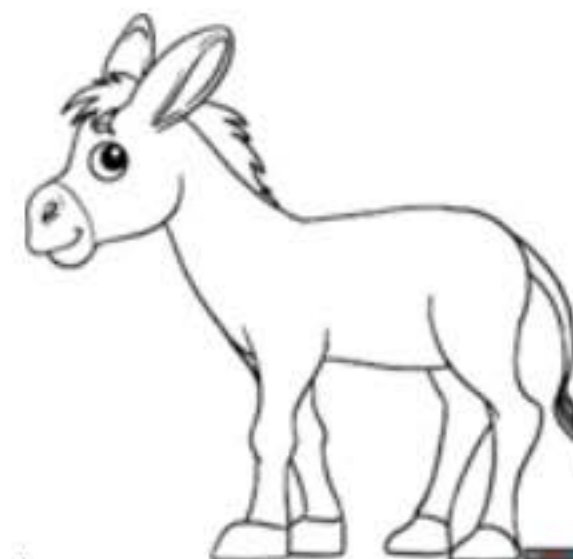
Summary of Service

The Book of Zephaniah is a prophetic text found in the Hebrew Bible and the Christian Old Testament. It opens with a stark warning of imminent divine judgment, directed not only at Judah—the southern kingdom of Israel—but also at the surrounding nations. Zephaniah condemns the rampant wickedness, corruption, and idolatry that have infiltrated the land, making clear that these offenses have provoked God's wrath. Throughout his message, Zephaniah emphasizes the seriousness of turning away from God and the consequences that follow, portraying the coming "Day of the Lord" as a time of widespread destruction and upheaval for all who persist in unrighteousness.

Zephaniah's prophecies detail how this day will be marked by darkness, distress, and devastation, underscoring the totality of God's judgment against sin. The prophet specifically calls out leaders, priests, and ordinary people alike, holding everyone accountable for their actions and warning that none will escape unless they repent and seek righteousness. His words serve as a

powerful call to humility and spiritual renewal, urging the people to seek the Lord, pursue justice, and turn away from evil practices.

Despite the initial tone of impending doom, Zephaniah's message ultimately pivots to one of hope and restoration. He proclaims that, after the judgment, God will purify a remnant—a group of humble and faithful individuals who remain loyal to Him. This purified remnant will be spared and will experience a renewal in their relationship with God. The book envisions a future in which God dwells among His people, bringing peace, blessing, and joy to those who have turned from their former ways. In this restored community, pride and deceit will be eradicated, and the people will live in harmony under God's protective care. Thus, the Book of Zephaniah combines stern warnings about the consequences of sin with a reassuring promise of redemption, emphasizing God's desire to cleanse, restore, and bless those who earnestly seek Him.



We are praying for the day for you to return to God's House