

For Further Study

To use this resource, simply select one or two questions from each category below that you think will help your group discussion. Alternatively, you can use these questions and Scriptures in your own personal devotions during the week.

Read Zephaniah 3:9. Why is serving such an important part of being a Christ follower?

Read Zephaniah 3:10. Why must our offerings to God be our first and best?

Read Zephaniah 3:11-12. How does religion cause us to be prideful?

Read Zephaniah 3:13. What is the difference between confession and repentance?

Why is repentance necessary?

Read Zephaniah 3:14. How are you celebrating God's faithfulness in your life? Read Zephaniah 3:16. How are you investing in the salvation of others?

Explore

In our society people seem to associate the church with a Sunday destination. In Zephaniah 3, God talks about what He wants His church to be. There is no mention of stained glass windows or middle aisles. No, it seems that when God talks about His church he is not talking about a place we drive to, but rather, He is talking about us. We are His church. How many blessings are we missing out on by not doing all of the things that He has called us to do?

1. We have all been called to serve. What has God called you to do?

2. How are you generous with all the many gifts and blessings that God has given to you?

- 3. What are the things that make it difficult for us to be content?**
- 4. What are the things in your life that you take for granted and that should be making you celebrate?**
- 5. Why do we often forget that God is present with us all the time?**
- 6. What is the difference in being godly as opposed to religious?**

The church has unlimited potential. Unlimited, not because of us, but because of Jesus. He layed down His life because of His great and mighty love for the church and conquered death, hell and the grave. God still loves His church today and still wants to bless His church as only He can. What changes do you need to make for your life to look like the picture of the church that God has painted for us in Zephaniah 3?