



Nahum: Jealous Love | Nahum 1:2-7

1. When you hear the word jealous, what comes to mind? Can you think of a time when jealousy hurt a relationship? How does a memory of jealousy hurting a relationship in your life shape how you hear Nahum 1:2?
2. Read Nahum 1:2–7 together. What words or images stand out to you most? Why?
3. Verse 2 says, *“The LORD is a jealous and avenging God.”* How is God’s jealousy different from human jealousy?
4. In verses 3–6, God’s power is described with storms, earthquakes, and fire. How do these images make you feel about God?
5. Verse 7 shifts tone suddenly: *“The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble.”* How do you hold together both sides of God—His terrifying power and His tender refuge?
6. In your own words, what does it mean that God’s jealousy is rooted in covenant love?
7. What “rivals” (idols) are most tempting in your life right now—things that compete for your devotion or attention? When God exposes or strips away idols in our lives, it can feel painful. Can you think of a time when God’s discipline later proved to be His love?
8. Where do you most long for justice in the world today? How does Nahum’s vision of God confronting evil give you hope?
9. How does the cross of Jesus show God’s jealous love most clearly? What does it mean for you, personally, to hear God say at the cross: “You are Mine”?
10. What would it look like for you to surrender more fully to God’s jealous love this week? How can we encourage each other as a group to live with undivided hearts for God?
11. If you have time, discuss how some of these Bible verses reveal God’s jealous love: John 2:13–17; Acts 5:1–11; 2 Corinthians 11:2–3; James 4:4–5; Luke 14:26–27; Ephesians 5:25–27). Can you think of others?



What did you discover about God in this passage?
What did you discover about people in this passage?
How will you commit to obey this passage this week?
With whom will you share what you have learned?

