

## 15 Num-God's Vengeance on Assyria

The Lord is a jealous and avenging  
God;  
the Lord takes vengeance and is  
filled with wrath.

The Lord takes vengeance on his foes  
and maintains his wrath against his  
enemies.

The Lord is slow to anger and great in  
power;  
the Lord will not leave the guilty  
unpunished.

His way is in the whirlwind and the  
storm,  
and clouds are the dust of his feet.

Who can withstand his indignation?  
Who can endure his fierce anger?

His wrath is poured out like fire;  
the rocks are shattered before him.

The Lord is good,  
a refuge in times of trouble.

He cares for those who trust in him,  
but with an overwhelming flood  
he will make an end of [Nineveh];  
he will pursue his foes into  
darkness.

Whatever they plot against the Lord  
he will bring to an end;  
trouble will not come a second time.

O king of Assyria, your shepherds  
slumber;

your nobles lie down to rest.

Your people are scattered on the  
mountains

with no one to gather them.

Nothing can heal your wound;  
your injury is fatal.

Everyone who hears the news about  
you

claps his hands at your fall,

for who has not felt

your endless cruelty?

Nahum 1:2-3, 6-9; 3:18-19