

# Compare & Contrast: Jonah vs. Nahum

Jonah	Nahum
750 BC?	650 BC?
Mercy	Wrath
Goodness toward Nineveh	Severity toward Nineveh
Assyria = Threat to Israel	Babylon = Threat to Assyria
1:2 – A prophet’s command	1:1 – A prophet’s burden <small>(1 Corinthians 9:16-17)</small>
3:6 – king of Nineveh humbled	2:7 – queen of Nineveh carried away captive
3:8 – “cry mightily unto God”	2:8 – “Stand, stand, they shall cry”
3:10 – “God repented”	1:2 – “the Lord revengeth”
4:2 – “a gracious God”	1:2 – “a jealous God”
4:2 – Jonah knows Exodus 34:6	1:3 – Nahum knows Exodus 34:6 & 7
4:11 – “should not I spare Nineveh”	1:14 – “I will make thy grave”

“Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God:  
on them which fell, severity;  
but toward thee, goodness,  
if thou continue in his goodness:  
otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.”  
Romans 11:22