

# Through The Bible In One Year

## The Adventure of Many Lifetimes

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### Daily Scripture Selection

#### Week 51

**Day 351.** Nahum 1.1-3.19; Revelation 8.1-13;  
Psalm 136.1-26; and Proverbs 30.7-9.

**Day 352.** Habakkuk 1.1-3.19; Revelation 9.1-  
21; Psalm 1; and Proverbs 30.10.

**Day 353.** Zephaniah 1.1-3.20; Revelation 10.1-  
11; Psalm 138.1-8; and Proverbs 30.11-14.

**Day 354.** Haggai 1.1-2.23; Revelation 11.1-19;  
Psalm 139.1-24; and Proverbs 30.15-16.

**Day 355.** Zechariah 1.1-21; Revelation 12.1-  
13.1a; Psalm 140.1-13; and Proverbs 30.17.

**Day 356.** Zechariah 2.1-3.10; Revelation  
13.1b-18; Psalm 141.1-10; and Proverbs 30.18-20.

**Day 357.** Zechariah 4.1-5.11; Revelation 14.1-  
20; Psalm 142.1-7; and Proverbs 30.21-23.

## Through The Bible In One Year: Week 51 Sunday Worship Lessons

First Lesson (Old Testament): Nahum 1.1-9

Psalm: 136.1-11

Second (New Testament) Lesson: Revelation 8.1-13

Theme: The End Is Coming

### **Sunday Scripture Selection and Theme Explanation, Week 51:**

Many people believe that the world goes on forever, if they even think about it at all. The Bible proclaims that the world will end one day, dissolved in fire. Everything here in this world is temporary, except people. All people will be judged according to what they have done, and especially whether they have had a personal relationship of trust and love with God. The prophet Nahum predicted the destruction of Babylon, the mightiest power on earth, because it was not trusting and following God, but only seeking its own glory, power and wealth. But all people will be saved who trust in God, for God is a refuge to all who trust in him. In the New Testament, John paints a picture of the destruction of the world. But those people who don't succumb to disbelief or trust in worldly things, even if it cost them their life now, will live with God forever. God will make a new heaven and a new earth in which people who trusted in God will live with God and one another forever in a perfect community. Knowing the world will end strengthens our motivation to live life to the fullest now, which means maintaining a close personal relationship with God and working for the salvation of everyone on earth. You and everyone you know or ever will know really want to share the new world and endless life with God!

#### Alternate Readings & Themes:

1. **“Singing Along With God (God’s Singing Over You, So Sing Back!”** How does God feel about you personally? Angry? Judgmental? Condemning? Most people believe the lie that God is critical and condemning of them. The prophet Zephaniah paints an entirely different picture. God sings over his people with rejoicing! Like a proud, loving parent, God delights in his people and sings over them! In the New Testament lesson, John hears a wonderful sound in heaven: the singing of God’s people. They express their love and praise for God in song. Just as God sings over us, so God’s people surround God with the sounds of their love and joy. Join the song now, knowing that right now God is singing over you! **Zephaniah 3.8-17; Psalm 138.17; Revelation 14.1-11**
2. **“More Life Than You Can Imagine, (If You’re Saved By Grace Through Faith Alone)”** We work hard to ‘make it’ in life, or just to make ends meet. By extension, we think we must work hard to make it in eternal life. The amazing truth is: we are saved by grace through faith alone. Faith means totally trusting God for everything. Faith is not passive or complacent though. Faith is trust...stepping out on the bridge, believing it will hold your weight. Faith means stepping out in life with God, and leads to a vital, active life filled with purpose and power. Joy awaits those who risk the problems and step out on the bridge who is God. **Habakkuk 2.2-4, 18-20; Psalm 138.1-8;. Revelation 9.1-6, 20-21.**