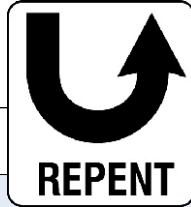


NAHUM AND JONAH CONTRASTED

The book of Jonah is the first of two parts. The second part, or the sequel, is the book of Nahum. The book of Jonah is a narrative concerning God's calling of the prophet Jonah. God called him to preach to the city of Nineveh. The prophet Jonah was reluctant to go. The book of Nahum tells the continuing story of the city of Nineveh 147 years later.

JONAH



Narrative

Declarative

**Ministry (785-750BC)
to Nineveh**

**Ministry (650-620BC)
about Nineveh**

Focus on the Messenger

Focus on the Message

**Jonah Message:
Call to Repentance**

**Nahum Message:
Judgment & Destruction**

Nineveh Obeys

Nineveh Disobeys

Deliverance from Water

Destruction by Water

God's Compassion

God's Judgment

Repentance from Sin

Return to Sin

Nineveh Delivered (759BC)

Nineveh Destroyed (612BC)

Proclaims God's
Compassion

Last Verse: Question

“And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?” (Jh.4:11)

Proclaims God's
Justice

Last Verse: Question

“There is no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?” (Na.3:19)

Two books in the Bible end with a question. The question in Jonah proclaims God's compassion. The question in Nahum proclaims God's justice. Both books reveal a depth of the character of God, as personified in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.