Sermon Summary 3rd of Advent 16th December 2012

- The earlier part of Zephaniah has outlined the shortcomings of Israel- its rejection of God's offer of sovereignty and assistance.
- The final part (3:14-20) is God's promise to his faithful people.
- It is addressed primarily to the weak and powerless.
- God promises that he will always preserve them and will not allow them to be consumed
- It is a marked contradiction to the owes promised to the rich and powerful who have abused their status and position.
- When we feel ourselves to be those betrayed or let down by those in authority over us, we do well to remember God's promise that hewill resolve the injustices which we feel we endure.

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