



TALK IT OVER

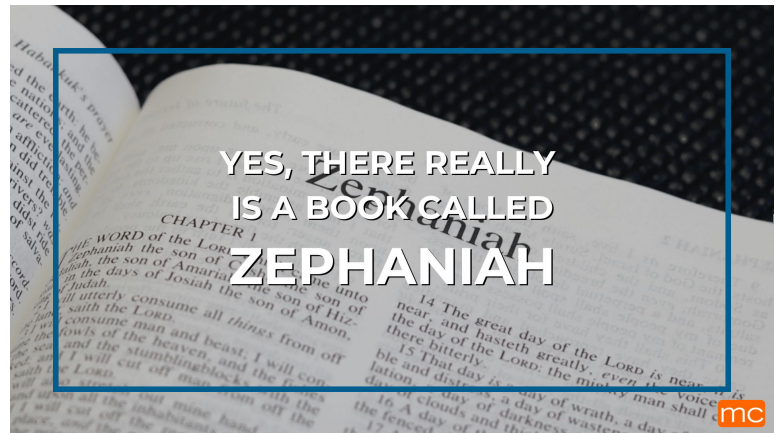
Our Talk It Over is designed to prompt insights, questions and dialogue based on the life experience of each participant. Using these in a group setting after hearing the message is similar to the practices of the early church in Israel. Choose just one or a few of the questions to consider this week.

Warm-Up:

When you feel anxious or unsettled about the world or your personal circumstances, what is your natural instinct: to act quickly, to control outcomes, or to wait and reflect? Why do you think that is?

Discuss:

1. Zephaniah opens this passage with a call to silence. Why do you think silence is such a powerful—and difficult—spiritual posture, especially in uncertain times?
2. The people addressed in this passage lived amid political instability and fear. In what ways does that context feel familiar to our own cultural moment?
3. What does it look like, practically, to acknowledge that God is active and present even when circumstances feel chaotic or confusing?
4. The passage challenges the belief that God is irrelevant or uninvolved. Where do you see that mindset showing up today—either culturally or personally?
5. Zephaniah connects humility with seeking God. Why do you think humility is essential for spiritual clarity?
6. How does the idea that God is working for good—even when it's not obvious—challenge or comfort you?



Apply:

This week, choose one situation that has been causing anxiety or frustration. Each day, take one minute to sit in silence and intentionally acknowledge God's presence in that situation. Instead of asking how to change it, simply ask for clarity, humility, and trust to take the next faithful step.

Pray:

God, we confess how quickly we rush to control what feels uncertain. Teach us to be still, to listen, and to trust that you are present and at work even when we cannot see it. Shape us into people who seek you with humility, walk in righteousness, and rest in your goodness. Give us grace to take the next right step, trusting that you are working for our good. Amen.