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"Comfort From an Uncomfortable God"

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I. The Character of the Judge: God Speaks of Himself (1:1-8)

- The Lord is a jealous God. (2)
 - He is jealous for his glory.
 - He is jealous for his people.
- The Lord is an avenging God. (2)
- The Lord is a God of wrath. (2, 6)
- The Lord is powerful, yet **patient**. (3-5)
- The Lord is a **just** God. (3)
- The Lord is **good**. (7-8)
 - He is good in his grace to **protect** sinners who trust in him. (7)
 - He is good in his wrath to **punish** sinners who defy him. (8)

II. The Coming Judgment: God Speaks to His Enemies (1:9-14)

- Those who plot against the Lord cannot **succeed**. (9)
 - They will be punished for their **wickedness**. (10)
 - They follow leaders who are worthless. (11)
 - Their great strength will be turned to **weakness**. (12)
 - o Their sin will require death for its wages. (14)
- Those who trust in the Lord cannot <u>fail</u>.
 - God will relieve their <u>suffering</u>. (12)
 - God will release them from slavery. (13)

III. The Comfort of Judah: God Speaks to His People (1:15)

- The gospel is God's word of comfort that promises <u>peace</u>.
- True comfort can only be found in Christ.
 - Through Christ we have peace from our enemies.
 - Sin no longer dominates us.
 - Satan will be defeated.
 - Through Christ we have peace with God.

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