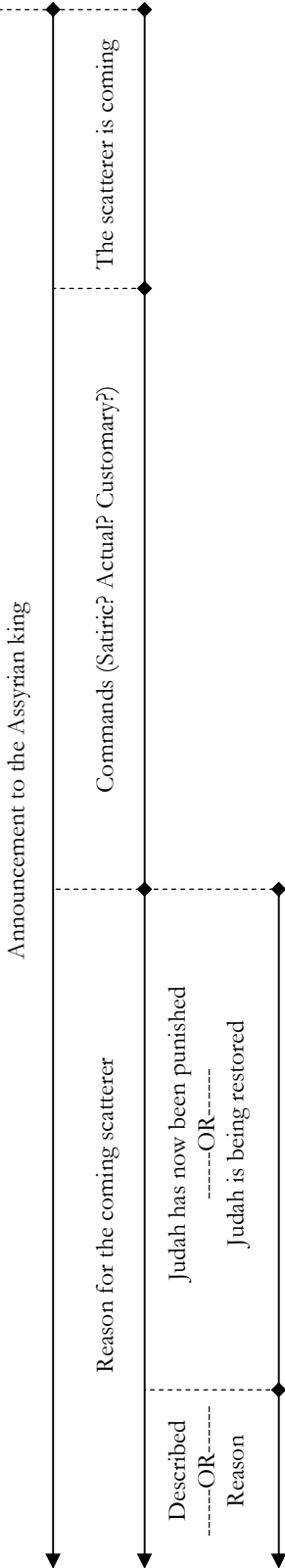


# Nahum 2

## *Description of the fall of Nineveh*



**1** He  
that dasheth  
in pieces  
is come up  
before thy face:

“keep  
the munition,”

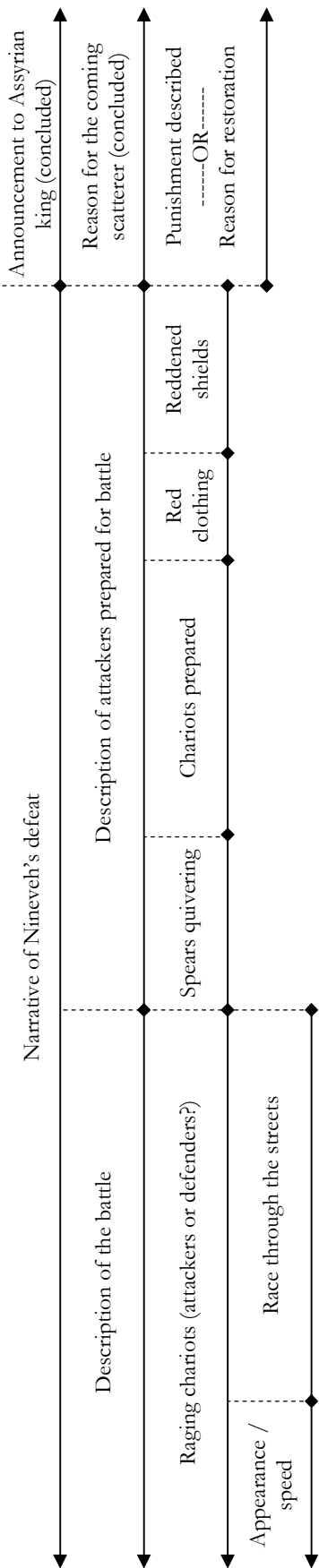
“watch  
the way,”

“make  
*thy* loins  
strong,”

“fortify  
*thy* power  
mightily.”

**2** For  
the LORD  
hath turned away  
the excellency  
of Jacob,  
as the  
excellency  
of Israel:

for  
the emptiers



have  
 emptied  
 them out, and  
 marred  
 their vine branches.

**3** The shield  
 of his mighty men  
 is made red,  
 the valiant men  
*are* in scarlet:  
 the chariots  
*shall be*  
 with flaming torches  
 in the day  
 of his preparation, and  
 the fir trees  
 shall be  
 terribly shaken.

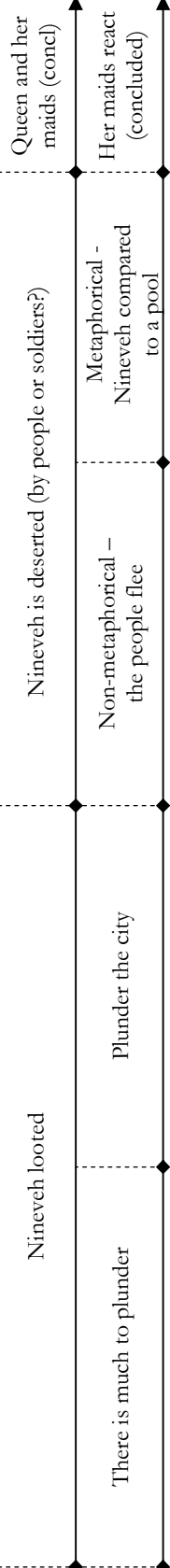
**4** The chariots  
 shall rage  
 in the streets,  
 they  
 shall justle  
 one against another  
 in the broad ways:  
 they  
 shall seem  
 like torches,

Narrative of Nineveh's defeat (continued)

<p>Aftermath of the battle</p>	<p>Description of the battle (concluded)</p>		<p>they shall run like the lightnings.</p> <p><b>5</b> He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared.</p> <p><b>6</b> The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.</p> <p><b>7</b> And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead <i>her</i> as with the voice</p>
<p>The 'queen' and her maids</p>	<p>The destruction of the city (metaphor or not?)</p>	<p>Call to the wall (attackers or defenders?)</p>	
<p>Her maids react</p>	<p>Effect</p>	<p>The mantlets are set up</p>	
<p>She is "led away" and "taken up"</p>	<p>Cause</p>	<p>They hurry to the wall</p>	
		<p>They stumble on the way</p>	
		<p>Appearance / speed (concl)</p>	
		<p>Raging chariots (concl)</p>	

Narrative of Nineveh's defeat (continued)

Aftermath of the battle (continued)



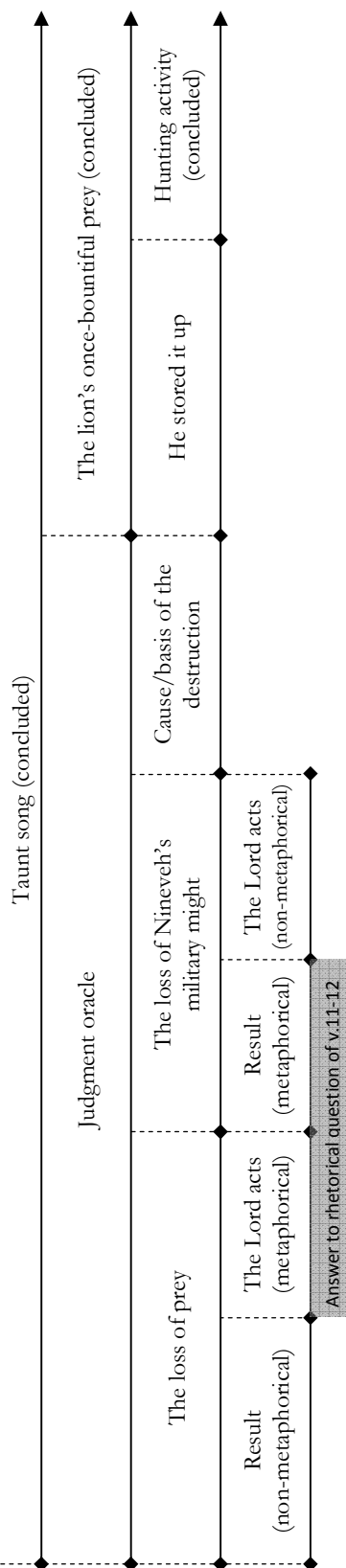
of doves,  
tabering  
upon their breasts.

**8** But Nineveh  
is of old  
like a pool of water:  
yet  
they shall flee away.

“Stand,  
stand,”  
*shall they cry;*  
but  
none  
shall look back.

**9** “Take ye  
the spoil  
of silver,  
take  
the spoil  
of gold:  
for  
*there is none end*  
of the  
store *and*  
glory  
out of all  
the pleasant furniture.”





enough  
 for his **whelps**, and  
 strangled  
 for his **lionesses**, and  
 filled  
 his holes  
 with **prey**, and  
 his dens  
 with **ravin**.

13 “Behold,  
 I *am* against thee,”  
 saith the LORD  
 of hosts, and  
 “I will burn  
 her chariots  
 in the smoke, and  
 the sword  
 shall devour  
 thy young **lions**: and  
 I will cut off  
 thy **prey**  
 from the earth, and  
 the voice  
 of thy messengers  
 shall no more  
 be heard.”