1-28-18 Ken Carlton   **Title:** POLICEMAN OF THE WORLD
   Main Text: Nahum 1:9-15
   Aim: <u>TO CHRONICLE THE GLORY OF GOD THROUGH HIS INTERNATIONAL EXPLOITS...</u>
   Sermon Description: Scriptural history combined with prophecies like the oracle and vision of Nahum provide examples of the very obvious and inevitable judgments of God against the most self confident and apparently successful foes of the Lord and His people... yes, even whole nations. Matthew Henry insightfully deduces from our text today: "...*those who make themselves vile by scandalous sins, God will make vile by shameful punishments*." Our Lord has made an example in history of nations who have risen up to challenge His authority and purposes and we ought to learn from Nahum that He will surely do it again. Let us fear and pray for our world accordingly. Yet more than this, in the genius of God's design for further revelation, we find His purposes in the pending destruction of Nineveh serving multiple purposes. The reference to Gospel publication in verse 15 joins other passages throughout scripture to signal a greater meaning and prophetic weight to Nahum's words above and beyond the immediate occasion...

Heading: ...HOW THE LORD SHAMES NATIONS...

1. SCHEMES FOILED   (Nahum 1:9-11)
a. Vain plots (Ps 2, 52)   b. Poetic justice (Ps 58:9)   c. Case in point (Is 36:1-2,13-22)
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2. STRENGTH BROKEN   (Nahum 1:12-13)
a. Never mind the #s   b. Tools of affliction (Is 10:12-19)   c. Deliverance
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3. STATURE HUMILIATED   (Nahum 1:14)
a. Decree vs. decree   b. Dynasty vs. dynasty (Is 37:33-38)   c. Temple vs. temple (Is 38:1-20-21)
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4. SURPASSING WORD   (Nahum 1:15)
a. Transcending Gospel   b. Revelation thread (Is 52:7, Rom 10:15)   c. "Never again" (Rev 21)
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FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**	**Saturday**
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Summary	Case in point	Tools of affliction	Humiliation	Surpassing Word	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Nah 1:6-15	Is 36:13-22	Is 10:12-19	Is 37:33-38	Is 52:7, Rom 10:15	Heb 13:1-9

 FURTHER STUDY: see 'Excerpts' posted weekly at providencecrosslake.com
 NEXT WEEK: *...Hebrews 13:1-9... Reverent Living...*