

COMMENTARY

MICAH

Micah 1

Micah spoke to Samaria and Jerusalem (capitals of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the Southern Kingdom of Judah) during the reigns of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah (Ahaz was "evil" the others were "good") of Judah.

Micah speaks of the coming destruction of Judah and Israel, brought on by their sinfulness. God would punish Israel because of her idolatry and immorality.

The idolatry and sin of Israel was now infiltrating Judah and Judah is warned of impending judgement and destruction. They are called upon to mourn and repent of their sin.

Micah 2

The rulers were taking advantage of the poor. Because of this lack of consideration, God was going to destroy them. They refused to listen to prophets, but rather wanted someone to prophesy wealth and good times ahead as they continued to abuse the needy and powerless.

God then speaks of gathering together His people and sending a shepherd to lead them, at some future point.

Micah 3

God promises to give the leaders what they are deserving of because of their selfishness. He condemns the practices of the prophets who are willing to say what people want them to say. He promises to punish them for all such conduct.

Micah then proclaims that the Lord is speaking through him and that judgement will come upon the land because of their sinfulness!

Micah 4

Micah contrasts the Kingdom of God that will be and the Kingdom of Judah that presently exists. He begins with the Kingdom of God which will draw all men to it, to learn of God and to live in peace and prosperity. God will gather His own to live in that city that He has prepared.

Micah then goes to look at the immediate future of Judah which would fall to the hands of Babylon (over 100 years in the future and-- Assyria was the major power when he spoke, not Babylon). The fall began about 606 B.C. Even though surrounding nations gloated and rejoiced over Judah's fall, God reminds His people that they will be restored and that their enemies will have to pay for their sins!

Micah 5

Micah warns of the attack and fall of Samaria (the capital of Israel). In the midst of the warning, comes a future hope, for God will send a deliverer, the Messiah, and He will shepherd and lead the people of God. This man will be born in the city of Bethlehem (fulfilled by Jesus).

Assyria would eventually be overthrown. Judah would be scattered among the nations. Yet the day would come when they would be delivered and they will have learned by that time not to rely on armed forces, defenses or their idols.

Micah 6

God reminds His people of all that He has done for them through the years. He teaches them that if they truly want to please Him, they need to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God.

Instead they have given themselves over to evil and are destined for punishment from God.

Micah 7

Micah looks around and sees people who have no desire for righteousness. They are all seeking their own gain and none can be trusted.

God's people would bear the punishment that God would send upon them. Their enemies were to realize that the day would come when God would restore His people and punish their enemies.

Micah 6
God promises to give the people what they are desiring of because of their evil doings. He condemns the practices of the people who are willing to say what people wish them to say. He promises to punish them for all such conduct.

Micah 7
The Lord is angry with the people because they have forsaken His law. He will gather them in that day that he will visit them. He will visit them at the temple of the Lord and will visit them in the land of the living. He will visit them in the land of the living and will visit them in the land of the living. He will visit them in the land of the living and will visit them in the land of the living.

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STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 1

1. Micah saw a vision concerning what two cities? (vs. 1)
2. What would the Lord do? (vs. 2)
3. Why was the earth terrorized before God? (vs. 5)
4. What would happen to Samaria? (vs. 6,7)
5. What of Samaria's, had come to Judah? (vs. 9)
6. What would happen to their children? (vs. 16)
7. What did Peter finally realize?

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 2

1. To whom did Micah say, "Woe"? (vs. 1)
2. What was the Lord planning? (vs. 3)
3. What were their prophets saying? (vs. 6)
4. Who would be "just the prophet for this people"? (vs. 11)
5. Who would the Lord gather? (vs. 12)
6. Who would go before the sheep? (vs. 13)

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 3

1. What did the leaders love and what did they hate? (vs. 1,2)
2. What would the Lord do because of their evil? (vs. 4)
3. What did God say about the "prophets"? (vs. 5)
4. Why would the diviners and seers cover their faces? (vs. 7)
5. What was Micah filled with and why? (vs. 8)
6. What did Judah's leaders, priests and prophets do? (vs. 11)
7. What would become of Jerusalem? (vs. 12)

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 4

1. What would be established in the last days? (vs. 1)
2. Who would go up to the mountain of the Lord? (vs. 2)
3. What did they hope to learn there? (vs. 2)
4. What will happen to the swords and spears? (vs. 3)
5. In what would they walk forever? (vs. 5)
6. Who would rule over the remnant? (vs. 7)
7. What would happen to the Daughter of Zion (or Jerusalem)? (vs. 8)
8. What would happen to the Daughter of Zion? (vs. 10)
9. What would the Daughter of Zion do with the ill-gotten gains of her enemies? (vs. 13)

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 5

1. What would come from Bethlehem? (vs. 2)
2. What would the ruler do? (vs. 4)
3. Where would the remnant of Judah be? (vs. 7)
4. What would the Lord destroy? (vs. 10-13)
5. What would God do to the disobedient nations? (vs. 15)

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 6

1. What was the Lord going to do? (vs. 2)
2. What had God done for His people? (vs. 4)
3. What does the Lord require of men? (vs. 8)
4. How does God describe the people? (vs. 12)
5. What had God begun to do because of their sins? (vs. 13)

STUDY GUIDE

MICAH 7

1. What no longer existed in the land? (vs. 2)
2. Who conspired together? (vs. 3)
3. Who was not to be trusted? (vs 5,6)
4. What did Micah watch and wait for? (vs. 7)
5. How long would God's people bear His wrath? (vs. 9)
6. What did Micah call for God to do? (vs. 14)
7. How is God described? (vs. 18)
8. What would God do in the future? (vs. 19,20)