The Minor Prophets

Micah – Who is like Yahweh

Please pray and ask the Lord for understanding of His Word before you begin.

Read Micah Chapter 6

- 1. As you read verses 1 and 2 of chapter 6, what picture comes to mind?
- 2. Imagine that Israel steps up to the witness box in verse 3 and God asks "what have I done to you? And how have I wearied you? Testify against Me."
- a. Have you ever asked that question of anyone (your children, spouse, relatives, coworkers, boss)?
 - b. Have you ever been tempted to ask God what you did to deserve a hardship or trial?
 - c. Is that the right question to ask God? Why or why not?
- 3. In verses 4 and 5 God reminds Israel of the good that He has done for them. I encourage you to re- read the story of Balak and Balaam in Numbers 22-24. Balaam is a strange character with his obvious occult practices and yet God spoke with him and used him for His purposes.
- 4. Now Israel speaks in verses 6, 7. Knowing that the Lord is not pleased with them, they ask what would please the Lord. Read 1 Samuel 15:22 also.
 - a. Are they being sincere? Why or why not?
- 5. Read God's answer in verse 8.
 - a. Did Israel already know this? (Deuteronomy 10:12-19)
- b. If this is all that God requires of us, why do we continually try to make getting right with God complicated?

"True humility is thinking rightly of thyself, not meanly. When you have found out what you really are, you will be humble, for you are nothing to boast of. To be humble will make you safe. To be humble will make you happy. To be humble will make music in your heart when you go to bed. To be humble here will make you wake up in the likeness of your Master by-and-by."

Charles Spurgeon

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6. Read verses 9-12.
a. Why does God tell them to "hear the rod" in v. 9? (Check Job 33:14)
b. What are the reasons Israel is going to be punished?
7. The results of the punishment are listed in verses 13-15. Explain what is going on in these verses.
8. Who were Omri and Ahab and what were their statutes and works?

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." Matthew 5:7