

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 7

1. Micah confesses Israel's sins in the beginning of chapter 7. Read verses 1-4 along with Romans 3:10-18 and write down what you learn.

2. Verses 5 and 6 describe a hopeless, desperate situation. Who to trust?! Sin breaks down relationships so that there is no one to trust. Micah answers the question in verse 7.
 - a. In general, do you trust people in our society? Why or why not?
 - b. Why does God sometimes allow us to get into desperate situations?
 - c. What have you learned from these times of desperation?

3. Micah is still speaking for the people of Israel when he warns their enemies to not rejoice over Israel being brought down. Look at verses 8-10 and explain what is going on. Proverbs 24:16,17; Jeremiah 50:34 and Psalm 35:26 will help.

4. Verses 11-17 describe the restoration of Israel and the plight of the nations that were fighting against Israel and not fearing the Lord.

5. Verse 18 begins with a play on Micah's name which we know means "who is like Yahweh". Read this verse carefully. What do you learn about God?

6. Look at these verses and tell how the mercy of God is described in each.

- a. Isaiah 54:7
- b. Ephesians 2:4
- c. Lamentations 3:32
- d. Psalm 103:8
- e. 1 Peter 1:3
- f. 1 Chronicles 16:34
- g. Luke 1:78
- h. Lamentations 3:23
- i. Psalm 36:5
- j. Psalm 119:64
- k. Psalm 145:9

7. Read the verses listed below and tell what you learn about God's forgiveness.

- a. Psalm 103:12
- b. Isaiah 1:18
- c. Isaiah 38:17
- d. Jeremiah 31:34
- e. Micah 7:19

8. Read verse 20 along with Genesis 12:2,3 and Genesis 17:7,8. Some teachers say that the Church has replaced Israel as God's chosen people. What do you see in these verses?

After reading these (and there are many more like them) what would you say to those who say that Israel is being 'occupied' by the Jews and that they have no legitimate claim to the land?

“and he said: ‘Lord God of Israel, there is no God in heaven above or on earth below like You, who keep Your covenant and mercy with Your servants who walk before You with all their hearts.’” 1 Kings 8:23