



## Minor Prophets Part 1 Lesson 8: Micah

### 1. Introduction to Micah

Micah grew up in Moresheth, a town not far from Jerusalem. He was a contemporary of Isaiah and Hosea.

Micah sees the judgment ahead and foretells the destruction of Jerusalem about a century before Jeremiah came on the scene. He begins his prophetic word by talking about the transgressions of Samaria and Jerusalem. He saw the impending ruin of Samaria and from there it would spread to Jerusalem.

Micah was a contemporary of \_\_\_\_\_

Micah was a prophet of the people. He was an ordinary citizen of the village he lived in. He was a prophet to the poor man and the oppressed. He never prophesied for gain.

### Micah 3:5

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Under King Ahaz, Judah was forced to pay tribute to Assyria. The heavy financial burden fell upon all classes of people. The rich suffered, but they sought to make up their losses by confiscating the property of the poor and even evicting widows from their homes.

### Micah 2:1, 2

### Micah 2:9

Micah saw the unjust treatment of the helpless by people with wealth and power in this bothered him greatly.

God has always found someone to fight His battles. A prophet speaks for God. He warns of sin and judgment. He also predicts the future.

Micah is one of the mightiest books ever written. After describing his present-day conditions, Micah looked to the future and saw a vision of hope. He saw in his vision the coming Redeemer and a glimpse into the Millennium.

### **Micah 3:8**

We don't really know the immediate effect of Micah preaching. However, about one hundred years later, the prophet Jeremiah was arrested and charged for prophesying that judgment would come upon Judah. They sentenced him to die.

### **Jeremiah 26:8-11**

Jeremiah told them that they could go ahead and do whatever they wanted, but in so doing they would bring innocent blood upon the city.

The elders rose up who were familiar with Micah's prophecy and spoke.

### **Jeremiah 26:18, 19**

This argument by the elders spared Jeremiah his life. The impact of Micah's prophecies continued beyond the days of his contemporaries.

## **2. Warnings against sin spoken by Micah**

Micah delivered a strong warning against sin. Specific sins condemned were:

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### **Micah 1:7**

### **Micah 5:13**

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### **Micah 2:1**

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### **Micah 2:2**

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### **Micah 3:1, 2**

### **Micah 3:7**

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**Micah 5:12**

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**Micah 6:10-12**

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**Micah 7:2-4**

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**Micah 7:5, 6**

- The prophet directed his message to the rulers of the country.

**Micah 3:1**

**Micah 3:9-11**

**3. There is a promise of deliverance for the remnant of Israel.**

**Micah 2:12, 13**

**4. Micah gave a message of hope to God’s chosen people who repent.**

**Micah 7:7-9**

**5. Micah prophesied about the millennial reign of Jesus.**

- Micah predicted a kingdom established by the Lord.

**Micah 4:1**

- At that time, the entire world will be ruled from Jerusalem by the Lord God.

**Micah 4:2**

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**Micah 4:3**

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**Micah 5:2**

- Israel will no longer desire to be ruled by earthly kings. Israel will abide in the Lord.

**Micah 5:4, 5****6. Micah prophesied about Jesus.**

- The wise men were directed by Micah's prophecy about Jesus being born in Bethlehem.

**Micah 5:2****Matthew 2:1-6**

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**Micah 7:18, 19**

- Jesus cited Micah when He sent out His twelve disciples.

**Micah 7:6****Matthew 10:35, 36****7. What can we learn from Micah?**

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Micah 6:8 explains how to live in the will of God.

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Many think living in the will of God is difficult or hard to comprehend, when in reality, obedience to His will is simple.

- God sides with the vulnerable.

Land theft, exploitation of women, and abuse of the poor are central concerns in Micah.

Micah insists that mistreatment of the vulnerable is a spiritual issue.

**James 1:27****Proverbs 31:8, 9**