

MICAH

	<p>An Announcement of Judgment</p> <p><i>"Hear, O peoples . . . Listen, O earth." (1:2)</i></p> <p><u>The capitals will be destroyed</u></p> <p><u>Reasons for judgment</u></p> <p>CHAPTERS 1-2</p>	<p>A Contrast of Kingdoms</p> <p><i>"Hear now, heads of Jacob And rulers." (3:1)</i></p> <p><u>Human corruption</u></p> <p><u>Divine restoration</u></p> <p>CHAPTERS 3-5</p>	<p>A Case against Sin and a Promise of Restoration</p> <p><i>"Hear now what the Lord is saying." (6:1)</i></p> <p><u>God's indictment</u></p> <p><u>Authentic spirituality</u></p> <p><u>Judah's sins</u></p> <p><u>Messianic mercy</u></p> <p>CHAPTERS 6-7</p>
Theme	Micah shows that a true relationship with God is inextricably linked to how we treat one another. He contrasts Judah's sinful kingdom with God's righteous and just messianic Kingdom.		
Key Verse	"He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you But to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?" (6:8)		
Christ in Micah	Jesus' birth in Bethlehem is predicted in 5:2; and His righteous reign over all the earth is described in 2:12-13, 4:1-8; 5:4-5.		

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The prophecy divides into three parts. Micah commands attention by use of the word "hear" (1:2; 3:1; 6:1).

I. THE PROPHECY OF RETRIBUTION (1-3)

- A. The Calamity of It (1)
- B. The Cause of It (2-3)
 - 1. The Sins of the People (2:1-13)
 - 2. The Sins of the Princes (3:1-4)
 - 3. The Sins of the Prophets (3:5-10)
 - 4. The Sins of the Priests (3: 11-12)

II. THE PROMISE OF RESTORATION (4-5)

- A. The Restoration Depicted (4:1-8)
- B. The Restoration Delayed (4:9-5:6)
 - 1. The Times of Judah's Misery (4:9-13)
 - 2. The Times of Judah's Messiah (5:1-6)
- C. The Restoration Described (5:7-15)

III. THE PLEA FOR REPENTANCE (6-7)

- A. The Standards of the Nation (6: 1-8)
- B. The Sins of the Nation (6:9-12)
- C. The Sorrows of the Nation (7:1-6)
- D. The Savior of the Nation (7:7-20)