

Bible Reading Class – The Book of Micah

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INTRODUCTION

1. Micah is the _____ of the _____ minor prophets; he preached to both the _____ and _____ Kingdoms.
2. Micah was contemporary with _____, _____, and _____; the latter two prophets preached to the _____ Kingdom, and Isaiah preached to the _____ Kingdom.
3. Micah was the _____ prophet to the _____ Kingdom prior to their destruction by the _____.
4. The name Micah means “Who is like _____”; it’s believed that Micah made a word play on his name in **Micah 7:18**, when he wrote, “Who is a _____ like You _____...?”
5. Micah preached during the reign of _____, _____, and _____, kings of Judah (**1:1**).
6. According to **Micah 2:3**, the days of Micah were _____; there were very few _____ people to be found (**7:2**).
7. The **book of Micah** opens similar to a _____ scene; Jehovah calls all the earth to hear His _____ against _____ (Israel) and _____ (Judah).
8. The **book of Micah** has been called by some a “_____”; there are several parallels between the two books:

Micah Chapter

1:3

2:1-2

2:6. 11

3:8

4:1-3

4:7b

Isaiah Chapter

26:21

5:8

30:10-11

58:1

2:2-4

9:7

5:5

14:25

7:7

8:17

9. The **book of Micah** can be divided into three prophetic speeches beginning with “_____.”

- 1) **Micah 1:2** – describing God’s judgment on _____.
- 2) **Micah 3:1** – the _____ and _____ are blamed for the destruction of Samaria.
- 3) **Micah 6:1** – God pleads with Israel to _____.

10. The theme of the book of Micah is **Micah 6:8**; the prophet answers the question, “What does the _____ of you?”

11. The **book of Micah**, like the **book of Isaiah**, provides God’s people a message of _____ in the midst of extreme _____ by predicting the following:

- 1) the coming of the **Messiah** from **Bethlehem (5:2)**,
- 2) the coming of the _____ (**4:1-3**), and
- 3) the coming _____ will consist of forgiven _____ (**7:18-20**).

12. As other prophets, Micah predicts that God will save a _____ (**2:12** and **5:7**).

Chapter One

1. **Chapter One** opens with Micah declaring that Jehovah had _____ to him; the verse doesn’t specify how Jehovah spoke to him, whether it was _____ or through a _____ or a _____.

2. Micah was from the city of _____; this hometown of Micah was about 20 miles southwest of _____.

3. Micah is instructed to preach, “_____, **all you** _____!” Jehovah is prepared to testify against the people; He is “_____ **out of His** _____” to exercise His _____.

4. In **verses 5-6**, the reason is given as to why Jehovah is coming out of His _____; the reason is because of the “_____ of _____” and the “_____ of the house of _____.”
5. Micah asks the question, “What is the _____ of _____?” and then he answers his questions by saying, “Is it not _____?” Both _____ (**Northern Kingdom**) and _____ (**Southern Kingdom**) were guilty of _____ in the high places.
6. _____ as a whole (**both Kingdoms**) are going to have their _____ beaten into pieces; Israel’s grave sin was she had considered her allegiance to these _____ of _____ as the cause for her _____. Jehovah proclaims this to be act of _____.
7. In **verses 8-16** the prophet Micah “_____ and _____” at the impending punishment coming upon _____ and _____ because of _____.
8. The _____ (**unfaithfulness**) of Israel and Judah are _____ because the people will not _____ (**v. 9**).
9. It’s not clear as to Micah’s meaning in **verses 10-16**; it seems that he is using a play on the meaning of the names of cities and applying the meaning to Israel’s sin:
- 1) _____ - a chief city of Philistia is not to be told of Israel’s impending _____.
 - 2) _____ (**a house of dust**) is where Micah rolled in _____ due to his sorrows and mourning over Israel’s _____.
 - 3) _____ - represents the _____ and _____ of Israel.
 - 4) _____ - the _____ don’t go out.
 - 5) _____ - _____ in anguish.
 - 6) _____ - waits anxiously for something _____, yet only the harsh _____ of God is coming.
 - 7) _____ - is warned to prepare for _____ due to Israel’s sin having it _____ with her.

8) _____ (the hometown of Micah) shall be taken as a _____ by Israel's _____; it is stated that _____ shall deceive the kings of Israel.

9) _____ - shall be taken and occupied by the _____.

10) Also, _____ shall be taken.

10. Micah recommends that the inhabitants of Israel and Judah begin to _____ their heads _____ in shame and sorrow for they are going into _____.