



August 28, 2022

## **SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: Micah 6:1-16**

Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.<sup>2</sup> Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel. <sup>3</sup> "O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! <sup>4</sup> For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. <sup>5</sup>O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD." <sup>6</sup> "With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup> Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" <sup>8</sup> He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? <sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD cries to the city and it is sound wisdom to fear your name: "Hear of the rod and of him who appointed it! <sup>10</sup> Can I forget any longer the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is accursed? <sup>11</sup> Shall I acquit the man with wicked scales and with a bag of deceitful weights? <sup>12</sup> Your rich men are full of violence; your inhabitants speak lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth. <sup>13</sup>Therefore I strike you with a grievous blow, making you desolate because of your sins. <sup>14</sup>You shall eat, but not be satisfied, and there shall be hunger within you; you shall put away, but not preserve, and what you preserve I will give to the sword. <sup>15</sup> You shall sow, but not reap; you shall tread olives, but not anoint yourselves with oil; you shall tread grapes, but not drink wine. <sup>16</sup> For you have kept the statutes of Omri, and all the works of the house of Ahab; and you have walked in their counsels, that I may make you a desolation, and your inhabitants a hissing; so you shall bear the scorn of my people." <sup>1</sup>

# BACKGROUND

The book has three messages (Micah 1–2; chaps. 3–5; chaps. 6–7), each beginning with the exhortation to "hear" or "listen" to what the Lord had to say to the nation.<sup>2</sup> This third main section of the book summarizes what has gone before and adds a plea from God's prophet on behalf of His people. The section focuses on the blessings that will come to the people because of God's goodness.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>The Holy Bible: English Standard Version</u>. (2016). (Mic 6:1–16). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Martin, J. A. (1985). <u>Micah</u>. In J. F. Walvoord & R. B. Zuck (Eds.), *The Bible Knowledge Commentary: An Exposition of the Scriptures* (Vol. 1, pp. 1474–1475). Wheaton, IL: Victor Books.

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### **SERMON NOTES**

- 1. Do Justice
- 2. Love Kindness
- 3. Walk Humbly

# **D-GROUP AGENDA**

### Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

### **Read It**

Read Micah 6:1=16, highlighting verses that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

### **Study It**

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. For some questions, we recommend going to <u>gotquestions.org</u>. This resource offers solid, succinct, biblical answers to many questions.

#### **Review It**

In Sunday's sermon, a courtroom drama seemingly unfolds. Yet, this is unlike any movie or television show in that this is an eternally vital proceeding. As you read through this historic account, what stands out the most regarding the church's focus on justice today (and that has been a hot topic recently.) How does humility play into this for Christ-followers? And when it comes to integrity, what makes such a thing so rare among many?

#### **Five Questions**

- 1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
- 4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
- 5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

#### Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.