**Micah**

**Chapter One**

**1 The word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.**

   Micah prophesied during the reign of three separate kings of Judah from 737-696 B.C. and his prophecy was concerning two places, Samaria, and Jerusalem. These were the religious and governmental capitals of the divided nations of Israel and Judah.

**2 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.**

   The Lord God was witnessed against both houses of Israel as he watched from his holy temple in heaven that the one in Jerusalem was patterned after.

**3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth. 4 And the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, and as the waters that are poured down a steep place.**

   Micah is speaking about the time of Jacob’s trouble that is to come in the seventieth week of Daniel just before the Kingdom is to be set up. The tribulation period is the last seven years that Israel will suffer for her breaking the covenant she made with God at Mt. Sinai.

**Transgression and Sin**

**5 For the transgression of Jacob is all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? is it not Samaria? and what are the high places of Judah? are they not Jerusalem?**

   Jacob's name was changed to Israel and here God uses them interchangeably, and he lays at the feet of Jacob (the united nation) the issue of Samaria. Had the united nation of Israel not sinned in rejecting the Lord's word Samaria would have never become the capital of a divided Israel.

   Jerusalem fell in God's eyes when she began in Solomon's day to allow the high places of Solomon's many wives, and his concubines to be set up in Jerusalem which lead others astray. Jeroboam caused Israel to sin in setting up gold calves for the people of Israel to worship at instead of worshipping in Jerusalem as was commanded of them by the Lord.

**6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, and as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof. 7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.**

The hire of an harlot is Israel taking money meant for service unto God and using it in false idolatrous worship of other gods which is “spiritual harlotry” against Israel’s true God whom she marriage covenant with at Sinai.

**8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls. 9 For her wound is incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem. 10 Declare ye it not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.**

   The phrase "Declare ye it not at Gath" is a familiar saying in the scriptures. David said it at the death of Saul and Jonathan.

**2nd Samuel 1:20 Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.**

   There is nothing to rejoice about, or to triumph over when one of our own leaders fall, because of their own sin. The enemy rejoices and triumphs, but God's people should mourn. David did not want his enemies to have something to celebrate here.

   In Micah's day all of Israel was defeated from within. Because of their own sin they had fallen to their enemies. Gath did hear, and rejoice for a while, but Israel was not really their enemy.

   Had Israel been in a right covenant relationship with the LORD then she could have blessed their Gentile neighbors with the truth of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, instead they were a stumblingblock unto them.

   During the tribulation period, Israel's enemies will rejoice for a while at what looks like her sure destruction, but then the Messiah, the King of Kings shall appear, and every mountain will be made low as he makes his enemies his footstool.﻿

**11 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Bethezel; he shall receive of you his standing. 12 For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem. 13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she is the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee. 14 Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moreshethgath: the houses of Achzib shall be a lie to the kings of Israel. 15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel. 16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.**

 Who is the heir that will come unto them? The heir will be a righteous descendant of the original recipient of the portion of land allotted to their family when Israel inherited the land in Joshua’s day.

 Adullam is called the glory of Israel, because it is there that David hid from King Saul in the cave of Adullam in 1st Samuel 22:1. Adullam is first mentioned in Joshua 12:15.

**Chapter Two**

**The congregation of the LORD**

**1 Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand. 2 And they covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage. 3 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time is evil. 4 In that day shall one take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, and say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed it from me! turning away he hath divided our fields.**

 Wicked rich leaders spent their time figuring out to steal land given to the families of Israel by inheritance as everlasting possessions and they had to go against the law of Moses to do that. For this they needed wicked lawyers who would pervert justice. Their possessions were called portions and they were given to them by lot. See Joshua 17:14.

**5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the LORD.**

 The congregation of the LORD was the righteous Jew in their kingdom receiving his “lot” for ever. The casting of a cord would be when one would cast a cord to another like a plumbline except it was used to measure property lines between one piece of land and another. The wicked in Micah’s day would have no inheritance in the kingdom.

 Only the righteous heir would be allowed that privilege in kingdom as mentioned in Micah 1:15.

**6 Prophesy ye not, say they to them that prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, that they shall not take shame. 7 O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the LORD straitened? are these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh uprightly? 8 Even of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war. 9 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever. 10 Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction. 11 If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, saying, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.**

 These were false prophets who prophesied to the people good things for the sake of ill gotten gains. Hirelings whose god is the riches they can obtain by saying, the Lord hath spoken when God has not spoken through them.

**12 I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men. 13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the LORD on the head of them.**

  This, I believe is a reference to the little flock of Jews that will survive the time of Jacob’s trouble (Jeremiah 30:7) and who will enter into the kingdom of rest with the Messiah leading the flock to their eternal inheritance.

**Chapter Three**

**The prophets that make my people err.**

**1 And I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; Is it not for you to know judgment? 2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones; 3 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron. 4 Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.**

 The prophets were not Jeremiah, Amos, or Isaiah, these were the false prophets that prophesied lies to the people to receive from them financial gain.

**5 Thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him. 6 Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them. 7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God.**

**Micah contrasted to the false prophets**

**8 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin. 9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity. 10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity. 11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the LORD, and say, Is not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us. 12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.**

  Zion shall be plowed as a field is a fulfillment of what God said he would do with his vineyard in Isaiah chapter five when he said he would pull it down because it was no longer producing any good fruit for God.

**Chapter Four**

**In the Last days**

**1 But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.**

   So much is written in the writings of the prophets about the future kingdom, and a lot is also said about the geography during that time. Mount Zion shall be exalted above all the mountains, and they shall all be made low.

   The mountains and hills will not cease to exist, but this one will exceed them all and the house of the LORD will be established in the top of the mountains.

**2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.** See Isaiah 2:2-4 also

   Gentiles from all over the world will come to Jerusalem and be taught of God, so they may walk in his paths when they return to their own lands. What a pilgrimage that will be for them.

   There won't be any tour guides showing these pilgrims ancient ruins, but as we shall soon see, the riches of the Gentiles will flow into Jerusalem in that day.

**3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.**

  For almost a hundred years the United Nations (who have this verse on a plague at the UN headquarters) have said this was their goal, but it is run by sinful men who have agendas that are not the LORD's and they have failed miserably at it.

   There is coming a day however when peace with flow from Jerusalem, and the judge of all nations will implement world peace. All the weapons of the world will be melted down and forged in the furnace to be used as instruments of agriculture in those days. What a glorious day!

**4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.**

   The inhabitants of the earth will not have to fear their neighbors anymore, because Jesus will rule and reign with a rod of Iron. Today, the UN tries to appease the evil countries of this world, but not in those days.

 The phrase in the first part of verse four is repeated in 1st kings 14:25 and in similar ways twelve times throughout scripture concerning the coming kingdom.

**5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever. 6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted; 7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.**

   Israel will be regathered from the four corners of the earth and brought back to the land promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Israel never achieved all the land that was promised her by God, but she will in the kingdom when Christ is sitting on his throne.

**8 And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.**

   His kingdom will come, and his will shall be done on the earth as it has been done forever in heaven. See Matthew 6. God is Israel’s high tower.

**9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail. 10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.**

 Here we read about two future captivities. One in Babylon, and the worse one in the time of Jacob’s trouble, but as Jeremiah said, “he shall be saved out of it (Jacob/Israel).” Jeremiah 30:7-9.

**11 Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion. 12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor. 13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.**

   Israel shall be the head nation in the kingdom, ruling and reigning with Christ for a thousand years, but only after they travail (endure) through the time of Jacob's trouble and bring forth.

   God is going to gather the lost sheep of the house of Israel in a day, and bring them from all the places they have been scattered. The 144,000 witnesses will play a large roll in these people around the world being reached with the gospel of the kingdom as Matthew's gospel tells us:

**Matthew 24:13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.** ﻿

    The gospel of the kingdom will be preached again in the tribulation period, where the Jew will find themself enduring the worse time the world has ever seen, Those who believe the gospel of the kingdom will enter into their long awaited kingdom of rest.

**Chapter Five**

**Bethlehem Ephratah**

**1 Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.**

   This verse is fulfilled in the account of Jesus' trial.

**Matthew 27:30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.**﻿

**2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.**

   The Saviour of mankind was born in Bethlehem (the city of bread) and yet he existed from of old, from everlasting. He has always existed, but now God was incarnate in human flesh to taste death for all men. Micah 5:1 and 5:2 both appear as one verse in the Hebrew Bible.

**3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.**

   Israel is to travail as a woman in labour until she brings forth her child. This is mentioned over and over again in scripture, but it is rarely elaborated on. Isaiah 66:7, Micah 4:9-10, John 16:21, and 1st Thessalonians 5:3.

**Revelation 12:1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: 2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. 3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. 4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. 5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne. 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.**﻿

 The man child that the woman (Israel) brought forth is the 144,000 servants (Male Jewish Virgins) during the tribulation period that are caught up to heaven at the mid-point of the tribulation period. See our study on the book of the revelation.

**4 And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. 5 And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men. 6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders. 7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men. 8 And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver. 9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.**

 Israel in the kingdom will finally be a kingdom of priests and they will finally go out to the Gentile nations to be a light unto them of the glory of the Lord.

**10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots: 11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds: 12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers: 13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands. 14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities. 15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.**

  Micah is a mini book of revelation concerning the lasts days, known as the time of Jacob’s trouble and they served the generations in Micah’s day to give them hope that though it was dark in their day, a brighter day was coming in which righteousness would reign.

**Chapter Six**

**The LORD’S controversy**

**1 Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice. 2 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD'S controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel. 3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me. 4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.**

 God delivered Israel from slavery and planted them as a choice vine in a land that God took from people who were committing lewd wickedness and sacrificing their children to other god’s and now Israel and Judah were doing the same thing that God disinherited its original inhabitants for doing.

**5 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD. 6 Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or 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?**

 Micah was speaking rhetorically, he was not really asking the LORD if he should sacrifice his firstborn son, even though that was practiced even by the king of Israel in those days. God wanted righteousness from Israel, not wicked or wasteful sacrifices.

**What does the LORD require?**

**8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? 9 The LORD'S voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it. 10 Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable? 11 Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights? 12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth. 13 Therefore also will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate because of thy sins. 14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword. 15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine. 16 For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.**

  Why did all the bad things come upon the Israelites in Micah’s day? Because they did not do what the LORD required. They did not do justly, love mercy, nor walk humbly with their God.

**Chapter Seven**

**1 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapegleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit. 2 The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net. 3 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up. 4 The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity. 5 Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom. 6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies are the men of his own house.**

 **These verses should remind you of the words of Jesus in Matthew:**

**Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. 30  But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. 31  Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. 32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. 33  But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven. 34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. 35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 36 And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household. 37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.**

 The same standard God had for the people of Micah’s day Jesus expected those of his day to have as well as those during the time of Jacob’s trouble. God requires those going through tribulation to still do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with their God regardless of the circumstances.

**7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me. 8 Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me. 9 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness. 10 Then she that is mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.**

 Micah knew that when he died (fell) God would raise him up again in the kingdom because God had given righteous Israel that promise. Sitting in darkness is symbolic of when Micah is dead in the grave, and the light is symbolic of the kingdom when the Messiah is the light of the world.

**11 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed. 12 In that day also he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and from mountain to mountain. 13 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings. 14 Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old. 15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things.**

 God will give Israel an abundance of blessings in the kingdom by feeding them like they have never been fed. The planter and the reaper will run into one another because of the curse being off the land.

**16 The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf. 17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee. 18 Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy. 19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. 20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.**

 All the promises of a land, a kingdom, a rest for the people of God, will be realized when they shall come into their kingdom, and they shall rule and reign with Christ a thousand years.

**The End**

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**Chapter One**

1. Who were the kings that reigned in Micah's day?

2. Where did those kings reign? In Israel or in Judah

3. Who was Micah's prophecy concerning?

4. What is the difference in verse one when Micah uses the title the LORD, and when verse two uses the title the Lord God?

5. What does Micah say the LORD is going to tread upon?

6. Who is Jacob a reference to?

7. What is the transgression of Jacob?

8. What will happen to Samaria?

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10. What is the glory of Israel?

11. What is a Morasthite?

**Chapter Two**

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2. What would Israel do to a "prophet' who would prophesy unto them of wine, and of strong drink?

**Chapter Three**

1. When will the LORD hide his face from his people?

2. When will, or did this already happen to Israel and the prophets?

**Chapter Four**

1. When is Micah 4:1 speaking about?

2. What will go forth out of Zion in those days?

3. Who is the "he" that will judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off?

4. What will happen to the weapons of the world in that day?

5. What does it mean that every man shall sit under his own vine tree in that day?

6. What shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem?

7. What are the pangs spoken about in verse nine?

8. What does the iron horn represent?

**Chapter Five**

1. What judge gets smitten on his cheek with a rod?

2. How long had the ruler born in Bethlehem existed according to verse two?

3. How far will the Messiah's reign encompass? v:4

4. What will happen to the remnant of Jacob?

5. Name five things that get "cut off" in the kingdom:

**Chapter Six**

1. Who does the LORD have a controversy with?

2. What is good, and what doth the LORD require of thee?

**Chapter Seven**

1. Where will the Messiah cast all of Israel's sins into?