

## THE BOOK OF MICAH: JUDGMENT AND BLESSING FOR BOTH KINGDOMS

Micah, a native of the small town of Morasheth or Mareshah in Southwest Judah, near the Philistine city of Gath, was the only one of the prophets to address his messages specifically to both Israel and Judah. He was a country preacher, preaching mostly to the poor people in Samaria and the western towns of Judah. His ministry covered about 50 years - and took place at about the same time that Isaiah was preaching to the leaders of the people in the city of Jerusalem. His themes follow:

### A. God's Witness Against His People: Read Micah 1 - 3

1. For what reason was the Lord going to be witness against His people? Micah 1:2-5a  
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2. What would be the punishment of Samaria for this? Micah 1:6  
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3. How did Micah feel about this? Micah 1:8-9  
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4. Whom did he not want to hear about it? Why? (THINK! Who lived at Gath?) Micah 1:10a  
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5. For what sins did God condemn Israel? What commands had they broken?
  - a. Micah 1:7 \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Micah 2:1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Micah 2:2a \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Micah 2:2b \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Micah 2:2c \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Micah 2:11 \_\_\_\_\_
6. Against whom did He especially speak? Micah 3:1, 5, 11  
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7. To what did He compare them/ Micah 3:2-3  
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8. What would be the punishment of Zion and Jerusalem? Micah 3:12  
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### B. God's Comfort for His People: Read Micah 4 - 5

1. What was one great reason God's people could be comforted? Micah 4:1-4  
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2. What was an even greater reason? Micah 5:2 (THINK! To Whom does this refer?)  
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**C. God's Pleading With His People:** Red Micah 6:1 - 7:6

1. What did God ask His people to do? Micah 6:3b  
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2. What in particular did He want them to tell Him? Micah 6:3a  
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3. What would God rather have from His people than burnt offerings of calves, rams, oil, etc.? Micah 6:6-8  
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4. What did Micah say about the men of his day? Micah 7:2-5  
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5. To what did he compare the best of them? Micah 7:4  
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6. What people was it not safe to trust? Micah 7:5-6  
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**D. God's Consolation for His People:** Read Micah 7:7-20

1. Therefore, to Whom alone could Micah turn? Micah 7:7  
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2. What was one great cause for his consolation? Micah 7:8-9  
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3. What was a second great cause for consolation? Micah 7:18-20  
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**QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:**

1. Could any other god be like the Lord in seeing the sins of people, calling them to repentance, and offering them pardon and comfort?  
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2. Have I seen my sins as God sees them, and turned to Him for pardon?  
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