



# **Minor Prophets**

#### Mar 10, 2024 - Book of Micah Ch 4

Logos Class. Mod 5 Room 1

# Class Schedule for the next few weeks

# ✓ Feb 18, 2024 — Minor Prophets- Micah Ch 1 ✓ Manor Lake — Feb 20

✓ Feb 25, 2024 – Minor Prophets- Micah Ch 2

- ✓ Mar 3, 2024 Minor Prophets Micah Ch 3
   ✓ Manor Lake. Mar 5th
- ✓ Mar 10, 2024 Minor Prophets Micah Ch 4
- Mar 17, 2024 Minor Prophets Micah Ch 5
  - Manor Lake Mar 19th
- Palm Sunday Mar 24, 2024
  - Daily emails for Passion Week
- Easter Sunday Mar 31, 2024

# **ICYMI** Update

- Middle East
  - Watch for Ramadan flare-up between Hezbollah and Israel. 3/11/24 -4/9/24
  - Iran has given the "green light" to Hezbollah
  - Rafah and Hostages Stalled negotiations
  - Egypt and Israel cooperation on Hamas containment in Gaza
  - Terror actions flaring inside Israel. Watch the Temple Mount in Ramadan/Passover
- *US* 
  - Continuing raising of political tension and temperature. SOTU Speech is very partisan
  - Southern border increasingly volatile, Other states sending Natl. Guard to Texas
  - Ramadan/terrorism concerns in the US as well. When they will strike, not if...
- The economy straining at recession limits
- A combination of malaise and anger across many sectors

Tinderbox awaiting a spark

# Micah Ch 4 – Prophecies about Hope

# In this prophecy, Micah provides 4 wonderful promises:

- A Promised Kingdom (4:1-8)
- A Promised Deliverance (4:9-10)
- A Promised Conquest (4:11-13)
- A Promised King (5:1-5A)

#### Let's start where we left off at Ch 4:1

Micah 4:1 The Mountain of the Lord

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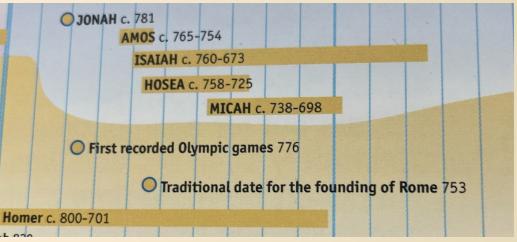
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# Micah 4:2-3 A Future of Peace

<sup>2</sup> Many nations will come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."
The law will go out from Zion,

the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> He will judge between many peoples and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

#### Micah 4:4-5. Hope in a Promised Kingdom

 <sup>4</sup> Everyone will sit under their own vine and under their own fig tree,
 and no one will make them afraid, for the Lord Almighty has spoken.
 <sup>5</sup> All the nations may walk in the name of their gods,
 but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

This is a future time of great choosing for Mankind

# Micah 4:6-7 The Lord's Plan

<sup>6</sup> "In that day," declares the Lord, "I will gather the lame; I will assemble the exiles and those I have brought to grief. <sup>7</sup> I will make the lame my remnant, those driven away a strong nation. The Lord will rule over them in Mount Zion from that day and forever.

## Micah 4:8 But as for you...

#### <sup>8</sup> As for you, watchtower of the flock, stronghold of Daughter Zion, the former dominion will be restored to you; kingship will come to Daughter Jerusalem."

He promises a returning King, and a Kingdom that will be like the Migdal Edar that will watch over them, protect them, and guard them as the flock of the Lord.

# Micah 4:9-10 Until then...

<sup>9</sup> Why do you now cry aloud have you no king? Has your ruler perished, that pain seizes you like that of a woman in labor? <sup>10</sup> Writhe in agony, Daughter Zion, like a woman in labor, for **now**, you must leave the city to camp in the open field. You will go to Babylon; there you will be rescued. There the Lord will **redeem** you out of the hand of your enemies.

#### Micah 4:11 Gathering and Taunting

<sup>11</sup> But now many nations are gathered against you. They say, "Let her be defiled, let our eyes gloat over Zion!"

The Lord is not silent...

#### Obadiah 10-12 The Lord judges Edom (Esau)

<sup>10</sup> Because of the violence against your brother Jacob, you will be covered with shame; you will be destroyed forever.

<sup>11</sup> On the day you stood aloof while strangers carried off his wealth and foreigners entered his gates and cast lots for Jerusalem, you were like one of them. <sup>12</sup> You should not gloat over your brother in the day of his misfortune, nor rejoice over the people of Judah in the day of their destruction. nor boast so much in the day of their trouble.

# Micah 4:12-13 They do not know or understand

<sup>12</sup> But they do not know the thoughts of the Lord; they do not understand his plan, that he has gathered them like sheaves to the threshing floor. <sup>13</sup> "Rise and thresh, Daughter Zion, for I will give you horns of iron; I will give you hooves of bronze, and you will break to pieces many nations." You will devote their ill-gotten gains to the Lord, their wealth to the Lord of all the earth.

Micah 4: Back to an earlier list of promises

4 wonderful promises: ✓ A Promised Kingdom (4:1-8) ✓ A Promised Deliverance (4:9-10) ✓ A Promised Conquest (4:11-13) > A Promised King (5:1-5A)

#### Micah Ch 5:1-2 A Promised Ruler From Bethlehem

5 \*Marshal your troops now, city of troops, for a siege is laid against us. They will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod.

<sup>2</sup> "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans (tribes) of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

\*In Hebrew texts 5:1 is numbered 4:14, and 5:2-15 is numbered 5:1-14.

#### Next Week

- Finish reading Micah Ch 5-6, and come back again...
- Pray for each other ... a lot is going on
- Praise God for His answered prayers
- Pray for Israel and the Peace of Jerusalem
- Pray for our country and its leaders
- Pray for our State and County and their leaders
- Pray for our Church, its Pastors, Teachers, and Members that we will be faithful to His Call and Direction
- Pray that we will be faithful when we are called to Stand for the Lord and His Word