

# Great Story of God

## The Great Rescue

### Micah 4:6-10; 7:8-9

# TALK IT OVER

## Study Context

*The people fall into rebellion and are exiled from the land to be slaves to foreign nations. Understanding the Great Rescue acknowledges that we cannot by our strength rescue ourselves. Yet, out of the kindness of God, He promises rescue. His salvation is our sanctification to live a life that would honor Him above all others. His rescue reveals His character, a God of compassion and delights in steadfast love for His people. His Great Rescue continues to be a theme throughout the Scriptures from the enslavement of Egypt, the rescue by the judges, and ultimately through the life-blood sacrifice of His own Son, Jesus.*

## Passages

*"In that day, declares the Lord, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away and those whom I have afflicted; and the lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion from this time forth and forevermore. And you, O tower of the flock, hill of the daughter of Zion, to you shall it come, the former dominion shall come, kingship for the daughter of Jerusalem. Now why do you cry aloud? Is there no king in you? Has your counselor perished, that pain seized you like a woman in labor? Writhe and groan, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in labor, for now you shall go out from the city and dwell in the open country; you shall go to Babylon. There you shall be rescued; there the Lord will redeem you from the hand of your enemies." – Micah 4:6-10 (ESV)*

*"Rejoice not over me, O my enemy; when I fall, I shall rise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord will be a light to me. I will bear the indignation of the Lord because I have sinned against him, until he pleads my cause and executes judgment for me. He will bring me out to the light; I shall look upon his vindication." – Micah 7:8-9*

## Share: (15 Min)

- As you reflect on last weekend's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?

## Head: (10 Min)

- Read Micah 4:6-10; 7:8-9, what all will the Lord do according to these verses? What does this reveal about God's redemptive plan for the world?
- Why would Judah need to hear this? Based on the context, what is going to happen to Judah?
- Where will they be rescued? Why do the people need rescuing?

## Heart: (10 Min)

- Babylon was seen as a strong, powerful nation, filled with injustice and idolatry. God promises to deliver them from this enemy. Where in your life do you need rescuing from an enemy?
- How are the promises of God toward Judah relevant to you right now?

## Hands: (10 Min)

- This Advent season can bring hope of Jesus to someone you know who might need the promises of Jesus. Who needs to hear it and how can you share with them?
- How can we actively participate in God's grand story of restoration, as depicted in Micah 4:6-10? What specific actions can we take individually and as a community?
- Pray for those in your life and community who need the promises of Jesus.

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**Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)**

1. Who is one non-believer or someone without a church home that you need to reach out to this week?
2. What kind of conversations are you having with people you are reaching out to?
3. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
4. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
6. Pray for one another.