

What Does God Require of Me?

Micah 6:6-8 (NKJV)

6 With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, With calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, Ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, [u]The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? 8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?

Problem:

Man does not realize that God is aware of the gap between His perfection and man's sinfulness. Even during the time of Micah, the Prophet, it was revealed that judgement was coming to Samaria and Jerusalem. There is a constant tension between that gap in our disobedience toward God today which is like the sins of Samaria and Jerusalem during those times of judgement.

Complication:

The Bible states in 2 Timothy: 3:2 People will be lovers of themselves, love of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy. This is what the Prophet Micah was telling the people. A striking resemblance can be made with the world today in which the world is being judged and punished for similar behavior. There is one difference and that is since the coming of the Lord, His birth, death, and resurrection on that third day, we now have hope and an advocate, that can be the connection between us and the Father. This is that hope that Micah expressed in Micah 7:7-20.

Big Idea:

- 1). We learn from the Prophet Micah that we must understand God desires us to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.
- 2). Paul says it best in Colossians 3:2, Set your minds on things that are above, not on earthly things.
- 3). Solomon stated in Ecclesiastic 12:13, "Now all has been heard here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments for this is the duty of all mankind."
