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JUDGEMENT

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MICAH

SINS OF THE NORTHERN KINGDOM

⁶ Therefore, I will make Samaria a heap of ruins in the countryside, a planting area for a vineyard. I will roll her stones into the valley and expose her foundations. ⁷ All her carved images will be smashed to pieces; all her wages will be burned in the fire, and I will destroy all her idols. Since she collected the wages of a prostitute, they will be used again for a prostitute.

CONSEQUENCES

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CONSEQUENCES

- SINS OF THE NORTHERN KINGDOM – DESTRUCTION



MICAH

CORRUPT LEADERS

³ Therefore, the Lord says: I am now planning a disaster against this nation; you cannot free your necks from it. Then you will not walk so proudly because it will be an evil time. ⁴ In that day one will take up a taunt against you and lament mournfully, saying, "We are totally ruined! He measures out the allotted land of my people. How he removes it from me! He allots our fields to traitors." ⁵ Therefore, there will be no one in the assembly of the Lord to divide the land by casting lots.

CORRUPT LEADERS

¹³ “As a result, I have begun to strike you severely, bringing desolation because of your sins. ¹⁴ You will eat but not be satisfied, for there will be hunger within you. What you acquire, you cannot save, and what you do save, I will give to the sword. ¹⁵ You will sow but not reap; you will press olives but not anoint yourself with oil; and you will tread grapes but not drink the wine.

CORRUPT LEADERS

¹⁶ The statutes of Omri and all the practices of Ahab's house have been observed; you have followed their policies. Therefore, I will make you a desolate place and the city's residents an object of contempt; you will bear the scorn of my people.

CORRUPT LEADERS

¹² Therefore, because of you, Zion will be plowed like a field, Jerusalem will become ruins, and the temple's mountain will be a high thicket.

CONSEQUENCES

- SINS OF THE NORTHERN KINGDOM - DESTRUCTION
- CORRUPT LEADERS - LOSS OF LAND, WEALTH,
CONTROL, BLESSING

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FALSE PROPHETS

⁴ Then they will cry out to the Lord, but he will not answer them. He will hide his face from them at that time because of the crimes they have committed.

FALSE PROPHETS

⁶ Therefore, it will be night for you — without visions; it will grow dark for you — without divination. The sun will set on these prophets, and the daylight will turn black over them. ⁷ Then the seers will be ashamed and the diviners disappointed. They will all cover their mouths, because there will be no answer from God.

CONSEQUENCES

- SINS OF THE NORTHERN KINGDOM - DESTRUCTION
- CORRUPT LEADERS - LOSS OF LAND, WEALTH,
CONTROL, BLESSING
- FALSE PROPHETS - GOD WILL REJECT THEM AND BE SILENT

MICAH

GOD'S WORD REJECTED

⁹ You force the women of my people out of their comfortable homes, and you take my blessing, from their children forever. ¹⁰ Get up and leave, for this is not your place of rest because defilement brings destruction — a grievous destruction!

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MORAL DECLINE

⁴ ...The day of your watchmen, the day of your punishment, is coming; at this time their panic is here. ⁵ Do not rely on a friend; don't trust in a close companion. Seal your mouth from the woman who lies in your arms. ⁶ Surely a son considers his father a fool, a daughter opposes her mother, and a daughter-in-law is against her mother-in-law; a man's enemies are the men of his own household.

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- MORAL DECLINE - CAN'T TRUST ANYONE
FAMILY DISINTEGRATION

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WHAT DID MICAH TEACH US ABOUT SIN?

- GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING WE DO
- GOD TAKES OUR SIN SERIOUSLY
- SIN, LEFT UNCHECKED IN OUR
LIVES, WILL LEAVE US
BROKEN AND USELESS TO GOD

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WHAT DOES MICAH TEACH US ABOUT JUDGEMENT?

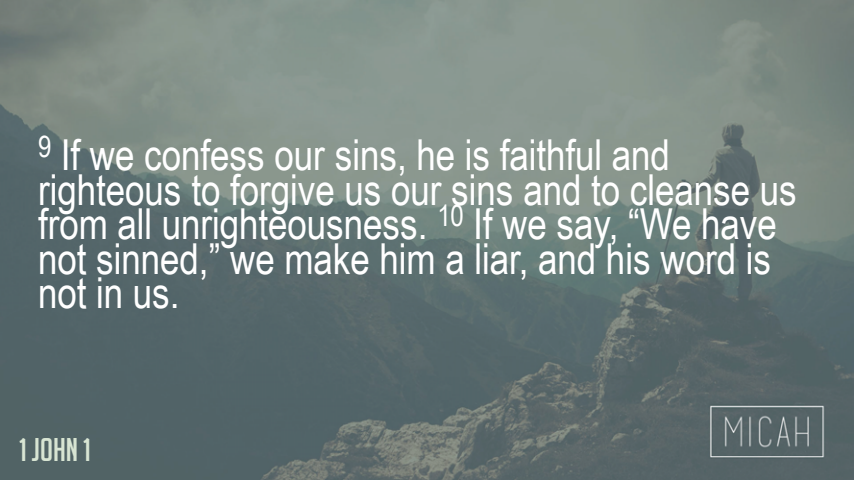
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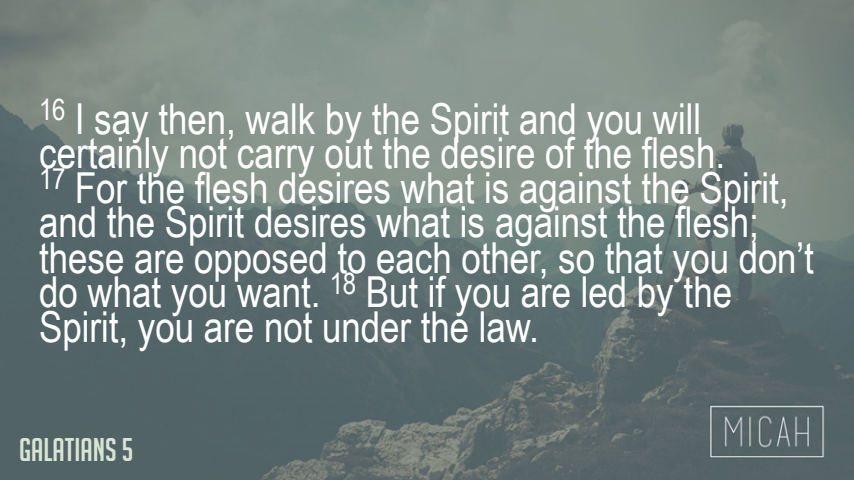
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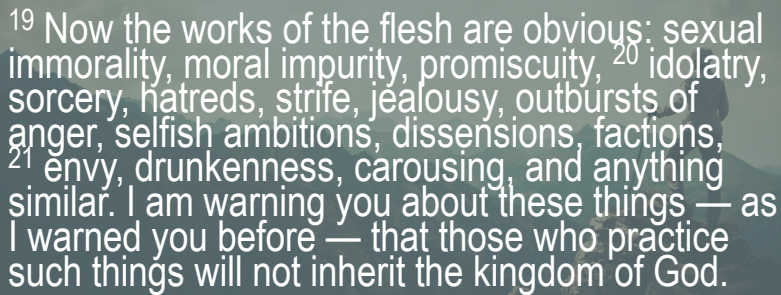
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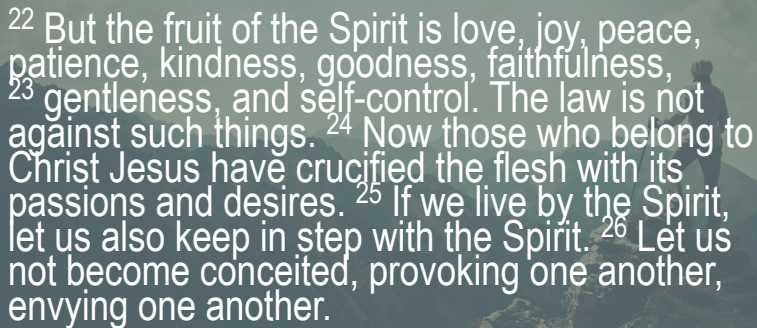
⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say, "We have not sinned," we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

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¹⁶ I say then, walk by the Spirit and you will certainly not carry out the desire of the flesh.
¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.



¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and anything similar. I am warning you about these things — as I warned you before — that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

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²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
²³ gentleness, and self-control. The law is not against such things. ²⁴ Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

WHAT DOES MICAH TEACH US ABOUT JUDGEMENT?

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN THE TEMPORAL
CONSEQUENCES OF SIN AND
THE ETERNAL CONSEQUENCES OF SIN

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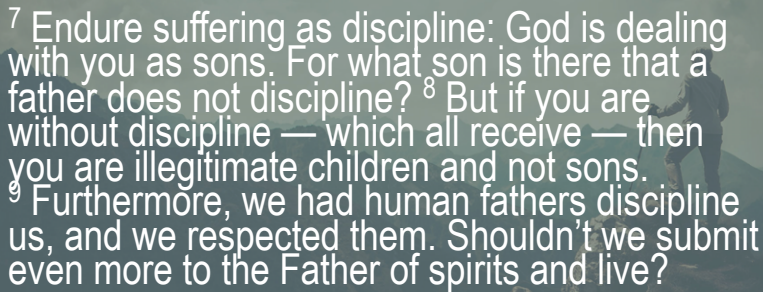
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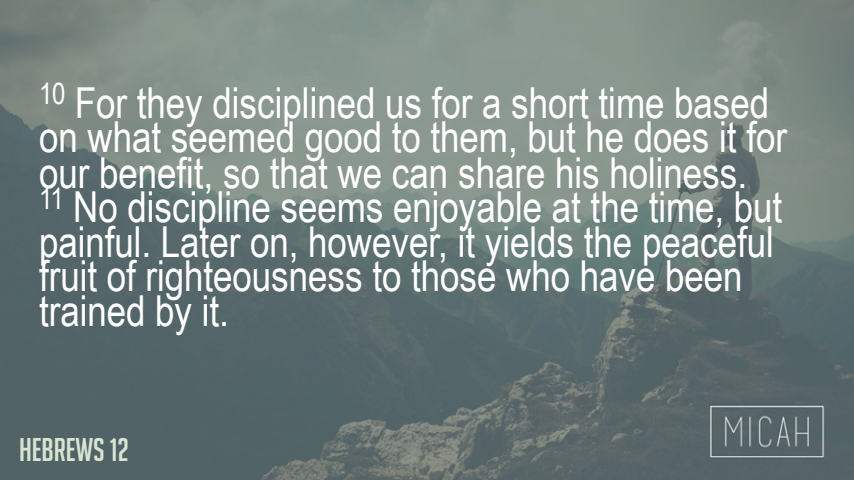
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⁵ And you have forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons:

My son, do not take the Lord's discipline lightly or lose heart when you are reproved by him, ⁶ for the Lord disciplines the one he loves and punishes every son he receives.

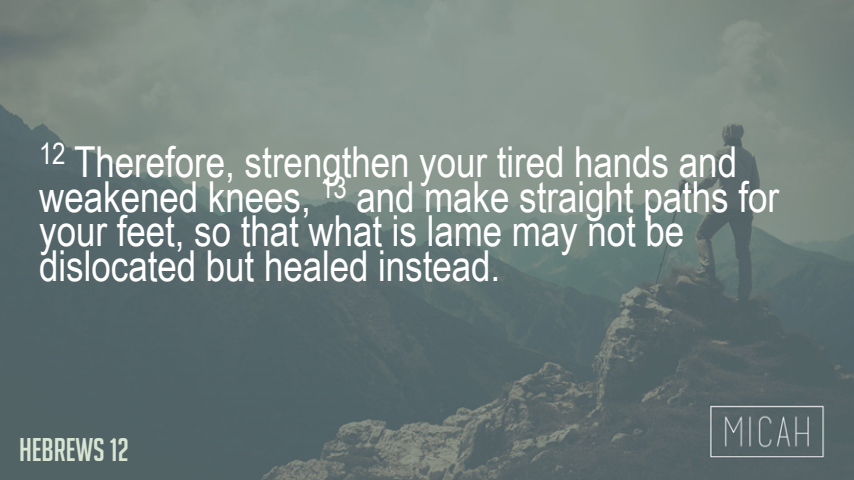
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⁷ Endure suffering as discipline: God is dealing with you as sons. For what son is there that a father does not discipline? ⁸ But if you are without discipline — which all receive — then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ Furthermore, we had human fathers discipline us, and we respected them. Shouldn't we submit even more to the Father of spirits and live?

A person is seen from behind, climbing a jagged, rocky mountain peak. The person is wearing a dark jacket and a backpack, and is using a climbing rope. The background shows a vast, hazy landscape with more mountains in the distance under a cloudy sky. The overall tone is somber and contemplative.

¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time based on what seemed good to them, but he does it for our benefit, so that we can share his holiness.

¹¹ No discipline seems enjoyable at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

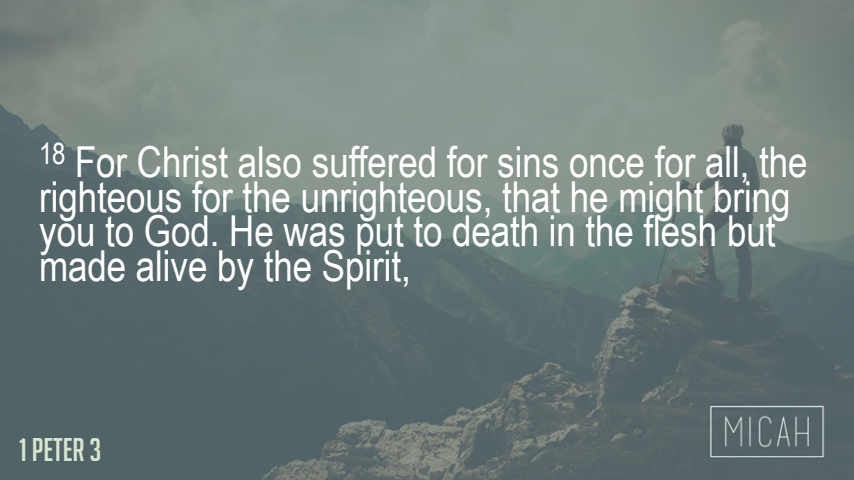
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¹² Therefore, strengthen your tired hands and weakened knees, ¹³ and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated but healed instead.

WHAT DOES MICAH TEACH US ABOUT JUDGEMENT?

EVEN THE DEATH OF THE SINNER
DOES NOT FULLY PAY THE PRICE
FOR THE SINS COMMITTED

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¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

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