

# U N E X P E C T E D

*Scriptures for further study*

Psalm 11:4 | Isaiah 26:21 | Psalm 94:14 | Leviticus 26:1

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Micah 1:1-9

*“This series looks at who God reveals Himself to be and how He is very often not what we expect, and why this is for us a gift? The question our passage presents us with is, What God? Which God? Who is He, what is He like and how do you know?” –Dr. Steve Cortis*

1. Ask members to share stories of when they – or friends of theirs – rebelled against their parents as children.
2. How has God disciplined you for disobeying Him? What lessons did you learn from that experience? Has there been a time when God granted you grace and mercy instead of the immediate consequences you deserved? Explain.
3. What was the source of Micah’s prophetic message? In Micah 1:2-5, when people rebel, how does God react? Is God’s standard different today than it was in the past? Is God more interested in your happiness or your holiness?
4. God’s words promising destruction seem to portray him as vengeful and harsh. Yet, where do we see God’s mercy and grace in this passage? Why does God hold our religious leaders to such a high standard?
5. The people rebelled because they rejected God’s Word. We have the whole counsel of God in Scripture. When you read the Bible, do you always seek to find application? How might this help you embrace and obey God’s Word instead of rejecting it?
6. Why does God take idolatry so seriously? What steps do you need to take to destroy these idols? Do you have a better understanding of how rebellion affects God—and our relationship with Him? Explain.