No God Like God: The Message of Micah For Our Generation

The Cleansing: Idols and Misplaced Faith

Micah 5:7–15

October 27, 2019 | Sunday Evening Bible Study

September 8	History Solves Mystery, Micah 1:1
September 15	The Lawsuit: The Lord God v. Israel, Micah 1:2-16
September 22	The Powerful: Ears That Itch for Religious Lies
September 29	The Leaders: A Severe Indictment
October 6	The Nations: The Promise of a Global God
October 13	The Restoration: Great is God's Faithfulness, Micah 4:6-13
October 20	The Ruler: The Rise of the Shepherd King, Micah 5:1-6
October 27	The Cleansing: Idols and Misplaced Faith, Micah 5:7-15
November 3	The Summons: The Amnesia of the Defendant, Micah 6:1-5
November 10	The Requirement: Justice, Mercy, Humility, Micah 6:6-13
November 17	Salvation: God Alone Can Save, Micah 7:7-17
	Preacher: Daylan Woodall, Pastor, First Missionary Baptist Church
	After Service Sloppy Joe Dinner
November 24	The Promise: The Unchanging Character of God Micah, 7:18-20
	Combined Campus Thanksgiving Service, Madison Campus
December 1	Annual Congregational Meeting
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December's Schedule Will Be Posted Next Week

- 1. The Shepherd King will lead a faithful remnant of Israel to live among the nations as a blessing to all who receive him and as an offense to those who resist him. (7–9)
 - 1.1 Already: The Church lives among the nations, following the Good Shepherd, obeying the Great Commission.

<u>2Cor. 2:15,16</u> For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things?

Mark 14:27,28 And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike **the shepherd**, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

<u>Heb. 13:20,21</u> Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, **the great shepherd** of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will...

<u>John 10:11</u> I am the **good shepherd**. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

- 1.2 Not Yet: The Church will triumph over the nations, Israel will be restored, and all of God's people (Jew and Gentile) will forever live with the Shepherd King.
 - <u>Gal. 6:15,16</u> And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

Rom. 11:25 Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

<u>Matt. 25:32</u> Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

<u>1Pet. 5:4</u> And when the **chief Shepherd** appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

Rev. 7:17 the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be **their shepherd**, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

2. The remnant will be cleansed of their misplaced faith in themselves and created things to save them and give them what only God can give (10–14).

2.1 Already:

<u>1Pet. 2:24, 25</u> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness....For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Matt. 26:52 Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place...

1Cor. 2:1 And I...did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom.

<u>2Cor. 1:9</u> Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death. But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead.

Note: Their military might, strongholds, false gods, syncretism → Our political power, parties, and politicians; security systems and cameras, technology, technique, tradition, toys, possessions, physical strength, diets, exercise, medicine, intellect, cleverness, theological innovation, alcohol, drugs, sex, pornography, wealth, 401k, entertainment, sports, self-sufficiency, career, fill in the ______.

2.2 Not Yet:

Rev. 22:15 Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

3. The Lord will judge and destroy all the nations that refuse his rule (15).

3.1 Already: Romans 1:18–32 3.2 Not Yet: Revelation 22:12,13