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

 $The \ Summons: \ The \ Amnesia \ of \ the \ Defendant$ 

#### Micah 6:1-5

November 3, 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, 1st Missionary Baptist Church
	After Service, Fully–Catered, Fully-Funded Family Dinner (Donations go to FBC
	Mercy Ministries)
November 24	The Promise: The Unchanging Character of God, Micah, 7:18-20
	Combined Campus Thanksgiving Service, Madison Campus
December 1	Annual Congregational Meeting
December 8	Annual GIGAs Christmas Presentation: Good News Ahead!
December 15	Preacher: Jerry Baker, Pastor, St. Peter Missionary Baptist Church
December 22	Nine Lessons and Carols, First Bible Church Worship Ministry
December 29	No Evening Service

### 1. The Summons: Court Is Now In Session (6:1-2)

- 1.1. The background: Two Covenants
  - 1 The Covenant With Abraham (Abrahamic Covenant):

Gen. 12:2,3 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Ex. 6:5 Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant.

- 2 The Covenant With Moses (Mosaic Covenant):
  - Ex. 23:22 "But if you carefully obey his voice and do all that I say, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries.
  - Ex. 24:7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient."
- 1.2. The unspoken premise: If God has broken the covenant, this is a breach of contract that relieves his covenant people of their obligation to love and obey God.

# 2. The Interrogation (6:3)

- 2.1. What have I done?
- 2.2. How have I wearied you?

# 3. The Indictment (6:4-5)

- 3.1. I redeemed you from slavery in Egypt (6:4)
  - God provided leaders, including a woman, to guide them (Miriam, Ex. 2:4; Ex. 15:20f; Nu. 12:1-16).
  - 2 All the events of the Exodus were sovereignly directed by God (Ex. 6:6).
  - 3 The redemption came by the substitute of innocent blood (Ex. 12:5).
  - 4 They don't save (redeem) themselves. Only God can save.
- 3.2. I preserved you in the Wilderness (6:5a)
  - 1 God knows Balak's plan (Nu. 22:1-21)
  - 2 God uses Balaam's donkey (Nu. 22:22-41)
  - 3 God tells Balak the unwanted truth (Nu. 23–24)
  - 4 God sees Balaam's plan (Nu.25)
  - 5 God judges Balaam (31:1-20).
- 3.3. I protected you in the Crossing (6:5b)
  - God is faithful when the people break the covenant in Shittim (Nu. 25:1-9; 1 Cor. 10:8).
  - 2 God is faithful when the people renew the covenant in Gilgal (Joshua 2–5).

### 4. The Verdict (6:6c)

In view of God's perfect faithfulness to the covenant, the people are guilty of breaking the covenant once again. They are faithless, while God remains faithful.