



The Coming Kingdom

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Micah 4

Jerusalem:

Conflicts: 118 times

Attacked: 52 times

Besieged: 23 times

Destroyed: 2 times

Luke 21:24

and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

Two Powerful Sayings:

1. HEAR

Deuteronomy 6:4

“Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!”

- Hear, O peoples, all of you (Micah 1:2)
- Hear now, heads of Jacob and rulers of the house of Israel (Micah 3:1)
- Hear, you mountains and foundations of the earth (Micah 6:1)

Romans 10:17

Faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

2. BUT GOD

- will not let sin go unnoticed - Chapt. 1-3: Crime and punishment
- His kingdom will be established on the earth - Chapt. 4-5: Peace and prosperity
- will remember His covenant - Chapt. 6-7: Justice and mercy

1. A Glorious Future

Revelation 20:1-6

1. Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.
2. And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;
3. and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.
4. Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the sounds of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of

the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand and they came to life and reigned for a thousand years.

5. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.

6. Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

A. The Lord will redeem His Land (v1-5)

- Jerusalem = the height and foundation of Peace

- Look at the Rule of Christ (v2)
- Look at the Justice and Peace of Christ (v3-4)

“But the stone in the middle of the room has more to tell us. We may see it as an altar, empty not because there is no God, not because it is an altar to an unknown god, but because it is dedicated to the God whom man worships under many names and in many forms.”

Dag Hammarskjold, UN Secretary-General (1953-1961)

B. The Lord will regather His people (v6-8)

- The Lord will assemble the exiled (v6)
- The Lord will transform the afflicted (v7)
- The Lord will end Israel’s time of being under dominion of other nations (v8)

2. The Immediate Future

A. The Lord purposed tribulation for restoration (v9-13)

B. The Lord will rescue and redeem Israel (v10)

- The Lord will come against them (v12-13)
 - He has gathered them like sheaves to the threshing floor
 - Piel stem** - refers to an accomplished or established state of being, without regard to the process or events that brought it about
- SO....
 - Arise!... Hope stands up
 - Thresh!... Hope walks in God’s victory
 - Threshing - performed by spreading the sheaves on the threshing floor and causing oxen and cattle to tread repeatedly over them