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## **About This Resource**

Where is true peace found?

How can I be joyful in all situations?

What does it mean to love God and love others?

Where is the hope in this chaotic world?

This Christmas we are going to look at the book of Micah and see what life is like before Jesus. In our world the definition of love, joy, peace and love are often twisted and tainted. This is all we know before Christ, but when Christ comes so does the real definition of love, joy, peace and hope. Join us this month as we look at what life is like before Jesus and after Jesus. The night before Jesus we can only imagine how things are going to be, but on Christmas morning we experience the reality.

#### Each session includes (60 - 75 minutes):

- Share Time: An opportunity for people to share where they saw God this week. (7 minutes)
- Connection Time: An activity to grow in relationship with each other. (8 minutes)
- Worship: Songs that speak the truth of the session. (10-15 minutes)
- **Teaching:** A video clip that dives into the chapter. (15-20 minutes)
- Scripture Memory: Tools to hide the word of God in your heart. (5-7 minutes)
- Simple Spiritual Conversation Starters: Questions that can easily transition to spiritual conversations (10-15 minutes)
- Biblical Prayer: Prompts to pray Scripture back to God (5 minutes)

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- Daily tools for personal growth and outreach
- Yearly conference information
- > Free curriculum



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# **Lesson #4 Hope**

What you will need for this lesson:

Blindfolds and items for a maze

## Setup:

- Have the song videos and teaching videos pulled up on the computer.
- Prepare the tool for memorizing scripture.
- Put a list of past scriptures on the board to go over.
- Print a copy of the daily tools for each attendee.

Curriculum Note: As you walk through each daily tool, have your group write down who or when they could use that tool this week. This curriculum is a call and an expectation of action in this world. Let's equip, empower and encourage each other to live our lives 100% committed to Jesus every day.

# Welcome: (Includes Share Time and Fun Friday)

Start today by playing the game Code Names or just be simply having a conversation about what you hope in. In the game you put your trust and hope in the other teammate guessing the right words, what else do we put our hope in each and every day?

At Full Send we love to celebrate what God is doing and that is why we want testimony time to be a part of every session. We believe that God has been moving throughout the week and want to celebrate with each other where we saw Him. Before we start talking about the book of Micah let's share what God has been doing in our lives this week! After a few people have shared praise God for His movement in your lives.

#### Worship: (Includes Tune In Thursday)

Listening and singing to God is a great way to connect with Him and hear Biblical truths. Encourage your group to either listen or sing along, whatever is best for them. As they engage with each song there will be a few questions to unpack what they heard and experienced.

### **Hope Was Born This Night by Sidewalk Prophets -**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wDW4z-2fh5Q&list=RDwDW4z-2fh5Q&start\_radio=1

- What hope came in Jesus

#### Hope For Everyone by Matt Maher -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tet7m0A7Yd0&list=RDtet7m0A7Yd0&start\_radio=1

- Who is this hope for?

Word: (Includes Scripture Sunday, Memorize Monday and Watch It Wednesday)

Before we listen to the message from Brad let's read Micah 5.

Today we are going to hear from Brad Van Genderen about the hope that is to come <a href="https://youtu.be/Zed\_gPxz9x8">https://youtu.be/Zed\_gPxz9x8</a>

Encourage people to take notes on the back of their sheet of daily tools as they listen to the teaching. Ask them what stood out to them from the teaching or the scripture.

Let's memorize Micah 5:2 But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

#### Let's first listen to the verse

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=liDwu6HpPOg

Today we are going to memorize by alternating words. Get into groups of two and then the first person will say But, Person 2 will say You, Person 1 O and so on. After a few times start saying phrases at a time.

## Witness: (Includes Table Talk Tuesday)

Now that we have read and studied about Hope or lack thereof, challenge the group to answer the questions as they would. Then think about how others may answer the questions and how they can turn that into a spiritual conversation.

The questions of the day are: What do you hope will happen today? Do you think it will happen, why or why not? What can you put your full hope in knowing it will happen? Can I tell you about my hope in Jesus?

As we process these questions, we hope that each person is prepared and equipped to use these questions in normal everyday conversations throughout the week.

## Let's read Micah 5:4-5

Truth: God alone can bring true hope. Without Him the hope we have is just a wish.

May this section be an encouragement to those who hear it, and may God fill them with the hope they can have in Jesus Christ.

# **Closing Prayer: (Includes Seek Him Saturday)**

Each week we want to teach people how to pray scripture back to God. Sometimes it is as easy as speaking the text and other times it is using the concepts of the passage to say what is going on in our lives. Let's finish our day by Pray Micah 7:8-10 and declare your hope in Jesus Christ alone to plead your case!

Encourage the group to come back with stories of what God did this week and how He worked through these daily tools.

Scripture: Micah 5 and 7 Topic: Hope

#### **Scripture Sunday:**

Read Micah 5 and 7 write down things that point to hope and hopelessness in these passages.

#### **Memorize Monday:**

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Micah 5:2

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=liDwu6HpPOg

#### Table Talk Tuesday:

Talk: What do you hope will happen today? Do you think it will happen, why or why not? What can you put your full hope in knowing it will happen? Can I tell you about my hope in Jesus?

Text: And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace. Micah 5:4-5

Truth: God alone can bring true hope. Without Him the hope we have is just a wish.

#### Watch it Wednesday:

Full Send Micah Hope by Brad Van Genderen <a href="https://youtu.be/Zed\_gPxz9x8">https://youtu.be/Zed\_gPxz9x8</a>

#### Tune In Thursday:

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#### Fun Friday:

Today find an activity where you have to trust something or somebody. Examples could be zipline, high ropes course, or laser tag. Talk about the hope you had in the harness, rope or teammate during your activity and how we can fully put our hope in Jesus!

### Seek Him Saturday:

Pray Micah 7:8-10 and declare your hope in Jesus Christ alone to plead your case!