

## **Small Group Guide: Micah 4 - From Gloom to Glory**

### **Opening Prayer**

#### **Key Takeaways:**

1. God promises a future restoration and glory for His people, even in times of judgment and exile.
2. There will be a time when nations come to worship God and seek His wisdom.
3. Believers may face trials and "travail," but these challenges can lead to spiritual growth and deliverance.
4. God promises ultimate conquest and victory for His faithful followers.
5. We are called to be "more than conquerors" through Christ, facing trials with faith and endurance.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. The sermon contrasts the "gloom" of Micah 3 with the "glory" of Micah 4. How do you see this pattern of judgment and restoration in your own spiritual journey?
2. Micah 4:1-5 describes a future where nations come to worship God. How can we work towards this vision of unity and peace in our current world?
3. The sermon talks about "travail" as a necessary part of spiritual growth. Can you share an experience where a difficult time led to spiritual maturity or closer relationship with God?
4. How does the promise of God's ultimate deliverance and conquest (Micah 4:11-13) encourage you in your daily life and challenges?
5. The speaker emphasizes that we are "more than conquerors" through Christ (Romans 8:37). What does this mean to you practically? How can we live out this identity?
6. The sermon warns against always seeking the "easy path" in faith. How can we cultivate a willingness to face difficulties for the sake of spiritual growth?

#### **Practical Applications:**

1. This week, identify one area of your life where you're facing a trial. Commit to viewing it as an opportunity for spiritual growth rather than just a problem to avoid.
2. Practice sharing your faith or standing up for your beliefs in a challenging situation (e.g., with a coworker, classmate, or family member).
3. Spend time in prayer asking God to reveal any areas where you've become complacent in your faith. Ask for the courage to take on new challenges for spiritual growth.
4. Reach out to someone in your church or community who is going through a difficult time. Offer encouragement based on the promises of God's deliverance and restoration.
5. Memorize a verse from today's passage (e.g., Micah 4:2 or 4:5) to meditate on throughout the week.

### **Closing Prayer**