

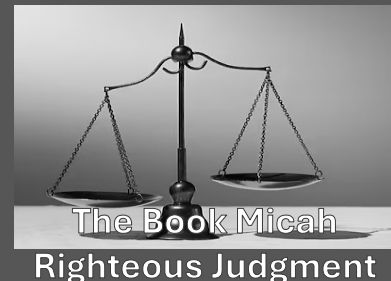
The Book Micah

Righteous Judgment



1

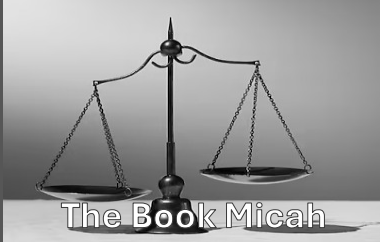
**Are Laws Beneficial,
Suggestions,
Or Ignorable Nuisance?**



2

Old Testament	
Hosea	
Joel	
Amos	
Obadiah	
Jonah	
Micah	
Nahum	
Habakkuk	
Zephaniah	
Haggai	
Zechariah	
Malachi	

Micah 1



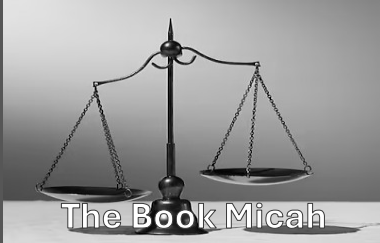
The Book Micah
Righteous Judgment

3

Context

Author: Micah
Kingdom: Judah
Rulers:

- Uzziah
- Jotham
- Ahaz
- Hezekiah



The Book Micah
Righteous Judgment

4

Timeline	King of Judah // Event	Prophet to Judah		Prophet to Israel	King of Israel // Event
780 B.C.					Jeroboam II (781–753)
770					
760	Uzziah (Azariah) (767–740)			(c. 760) Amos	
				(c. 760) Jonah	
				(c. 755) Hosea	
750	Jotham (750–735)	Micah (c. 742)	Isaiah (c. 740)		Zechariah (753–752) Shallum (752)
740	Ahaz (735–715)				Menahem (752–742) Pekahiah (742–740) Pekah (740–732) Hoshea (732–722)
730					
720	Hezekiah (715–686)				Fall of Samaria (722)
710					
700					

Uzziah – 2 Chronicles 26 // 2 Kings 15:1-7 – good king for a season
 Jotham – 2 Chronicles 27 // 2 Kings 15:32-38 – good king but bad people
 Ahaz – 2 Chronicles 28 // 2 Kings 16 – horrible king
 Hezekiah – 2 Chronicles 29 // 2 Kings 18-20 – overall good king

5



Important Points:

Israel – north kingdom

Samaria – north kingdom capital

Israel fell to Assyria during Micah's life

Judah – southern kingdom

Jerusalem – southern kingdom capital

Cities mentioned in Micah's prophecy:

Gath

Lachish – important military post near Jerusalem

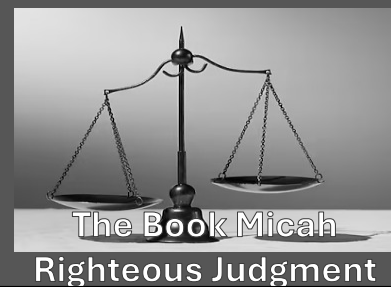
Aczib

Adullam (2 Samuel 23:13 – David and Saul)

6

Approach

How Does God Reveal Himself?
 What Are The Events In Their Time?
 What Are Principles That Apply Today?
 What Are The Timeless Truths Taught?

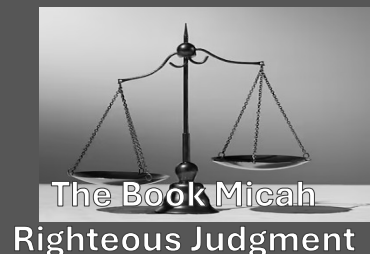


7

God's Might

God's Love Demonstrated

- Boundaries and law
 - Pay attention
 - Given out of love; followed out of love
- God's watchful eye and omniscient (all-knowing) ways
- God's love and concern for all nations (peoples)
- God is a jealous God desiring all praise from all



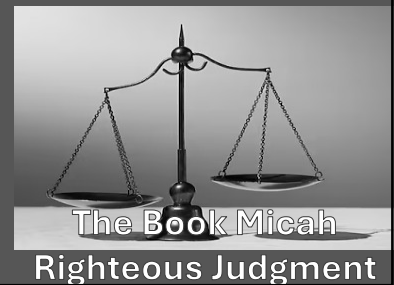
8

God's Might

God's Love Demonstrated

God's Righteous Reaction

- Sinful actions provokes action from God
 - Sin will bring consequences
- Galatians 6:6-10



9

Galatians 6:6–10

Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

10

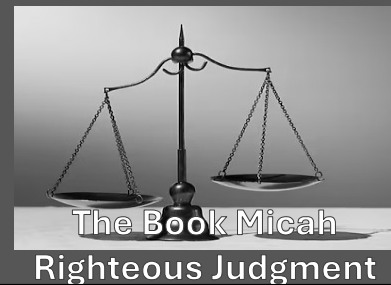
God's Might

God's Love Demonstrated

God's Righteous Reaction

God's Power Overall Will Be Demonstrated

- Sinful actions provokes action from God
- Sin will bring consequences
Galatians 6:6-10
- Nature reacts – Micah 1:4

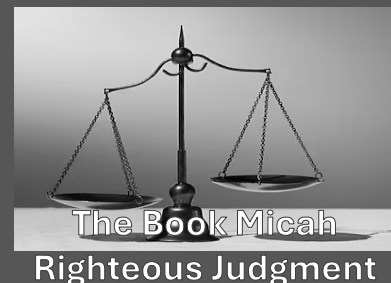


11

Human Misery

Historical Context

- During the first part of Micah's prophecy, overall good kings
- But, the people still pursued idolatry
- King Ahaz chased foreign gods and dismantled the temple making it impossible to worship
- King Ahaz pursued false idols of neighboring people



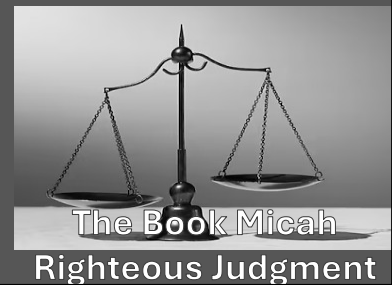
12

Human Misery

Historical Context

Sin Exposed

- High places were for idol worship
- Idol worship inwoven with prostitution
- Both immoral but also costly
- Idolatry deep rooted and spread



13

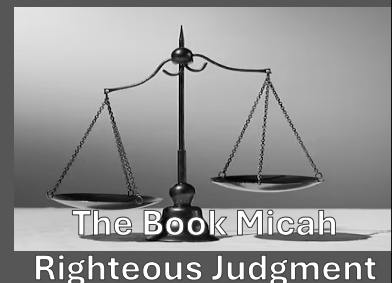
Human Misery

Historical Context

Sin Exposed

Appropriate Reaction

- Lament and wailing
- Stripped and naked – symbol great sorrow and grief
- Loud sorrow
- Driven out of love for God and people



14

Human Misery

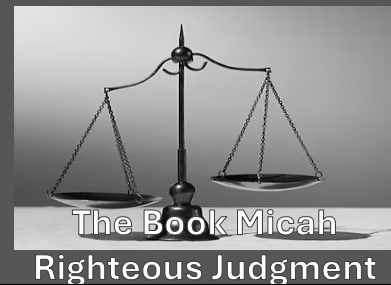
Historical Context

Sin Exposed

Appropriate Reaction

God's Judgment Stirs The People

- Not seeking rejoicing from people opposed to Judah
 - No rejoicing over God's judgment
- Not seeking sympathy or pity
 - No pity for suffering self-inflicted pain



15

Human Misery

Historical Context

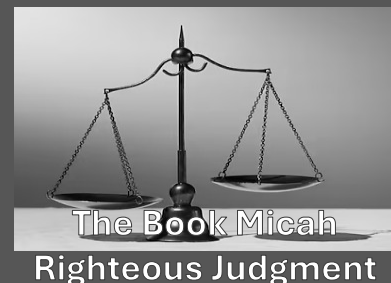
Sin Exposed

Appropriate Reaction

God's Judgment Stirs The People

Anticipation For Judgment

- Waiting for the impending justice
- Escape and not war
- Conquering people coming
- Outward reaction to hopelessness

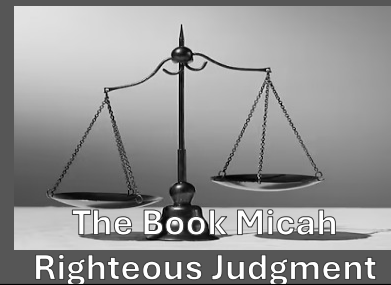


16

Our Mirror

God's Character Remains

- His love demonstrated
- His ways are unchanging
- His view of sin



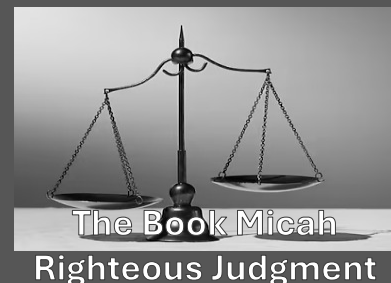
17

Our Mirror

God's Character Remains

Timeless Human Problem

- Attempting to live both for God and for the world
- Moving more to the world when not putting God first
- Attempts to justify sin will not stand
- Sin repackaged is still sin
- Idolatry relabeled is still idolatry
- Sinful actions begin from a sinful heart



18

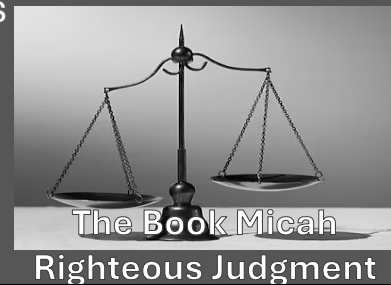
Our Mirror

God's Character Remains

Timeless Human Problem

Church Age And God's Presence

- Old Testament God used prophets to call out sin and pronounce judgment
- New Testament the Holy Spirit convicts the sinner to salvation
- The Holy Spirit brings conviction to believers



19

Our Mirror

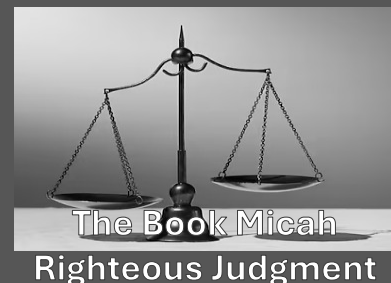
God's Character Remains

Timeless Human Problem

Church Age And God's Presence

God's Solution Known

- Jesus's sacrifice and resurrection
- God's love and forgiveness
- Our call to repent



20

**Same God.
Same Problem... Sin
Same Cure... Repent**