

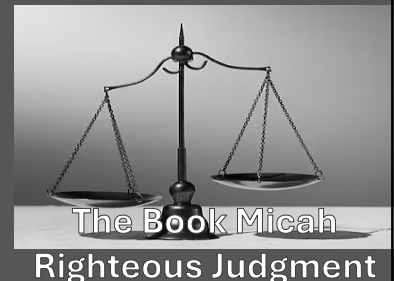
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Exposure Of The Heart



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What Is The Cost When Believers And The Church Do Not Uphold The Truths Of Scripture?



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Old Testament

- Hosea
- Joel
- Amos
- Obadiah
- Jonah
- Micah**
- Nahum
- Habakkuk
- Zephaniah
- Haggai
- Zechariah
- Malachi

Micah 3



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Timeline	King of Judah // Event	Prophet to Judah	Prophet to Israel	King of Israel // Event
780 s.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)		Zechariah (753–752)
740		Isaiah (c. 740)		Shallum (752)
730	Ahaz (735–715)			Menahem (752–742)
720				Pekahiah (742–740)
710	Hezekiah (715–686)			Pekah (740–732)
700				Hoshea (732–722)
				Fall of Samaria (722)

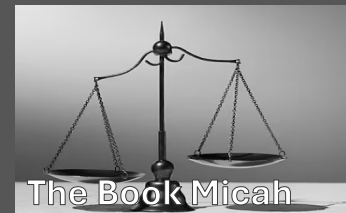
Uzziah – 2 Chronicles 26 // 2 Kings 15:1-7 – good king for a season
 Jotham – 2 Chronicles 27 // 2 Kings 15:32-38 – good king but bad people
 Ahaz – 2 Chronicles 28// 2 Kings 16 – horrible king
 Hezekiah – 2 Chronicles 29// 2 Kings 18-20 – overall good king

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False Realities vs. 1-3

Human Justice – Human Error

- Micah address both the north and south
 - Israel and Judah
 - Both had fallen away for God's plan and ways
- Justice intended to be anchored in the Mosaic Law
- Law was given to provide guidelines for:
 - Worshiping God
 - Foreshadowing of atonement
 - Relationship with others
 - Other Israelites
 - All others



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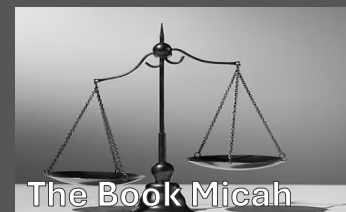
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False Realities vs. 1-3

Human Justice – Human Error

Twisted Morality

- “You who hate the good and love the evil”
- God is good... Satan is evil
- Exposure of the heart
- God's law protects humanity as God's creation created in His image
- Evil destroys humanity that is created in His image



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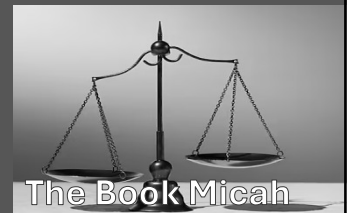
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Destructive Actions

- Oppressed and being taken advantage of by others
- Total depravity for compassion



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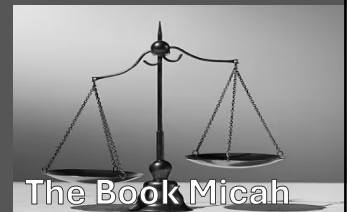
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Root Of Evil – The Heart

- Jesus addressed the law by the heart
Matthew 5:21-26
- Heart exposes evil
Matthew 6:22-24



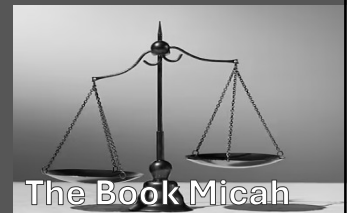
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True Judgment vs. 4-8

Rock Bottom

- The unheard cry to God
- Cry for relief not repentance



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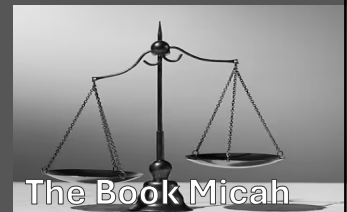
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True Judgment vs. 4-8

Rock Bottom

Not Seen

- Sin separates humanity from God
- Holiness of God versus the wickedness of mankind
- "...because they have made their deeds evil."



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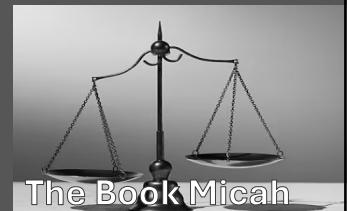
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False Claims By False Prophets

- “Peace” in the time of sin
- Role of the prophet is to plea for repentance
- False declarations brings war against God



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True Judgment vs. 4-8

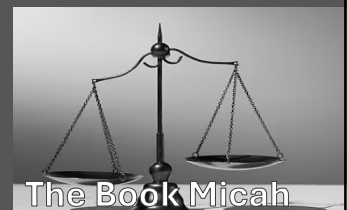
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False Claims By False Prophets

God Gives True Words To True Prophets... False Prophets...

- No vision from God... no direction
- No prophecies from God... no caution or call for repentance
- Disgrace and shame to the false prophets
- No words from God... prophets silenced



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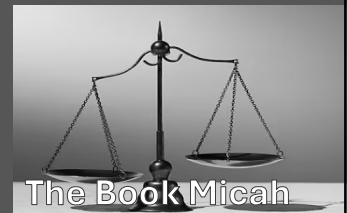
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Stark Contrast

- Micah, the true prophet
 - Filled with power
 - Filled with the Holy Spirit
 - Filled with justice and might
 - Call and ability to declare the sins of both Israel and Judah



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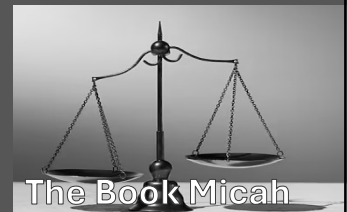
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God's Judgement

- Demonstrates God's protection
- Demonstrates God's love
- Demonstrates God's mercy and grace



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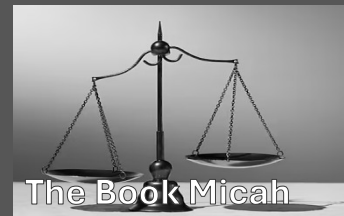
Psalm 40

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Ultimate Protection vs. 9-12

At What Cost

- Ungodly and unjust rulers build their earthly kingdoms
 - Detest justice; especially when justice is pronounced on the evil leader
 - Make the crooked all that is straight



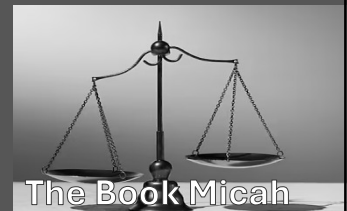
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Ultimate Protection vs. 9-12

At What Cost

- Ungodly and unjust rulers build their earthly kingdoms
- Build and gain more
 - Blood shed to gain
 - Leading people to sin to gain



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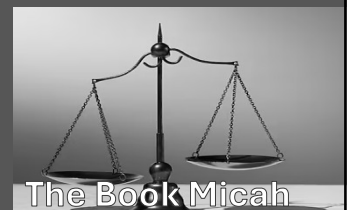
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Ultimate Protection vs. 9-12

At What Cost

Sell Out

- Paying off judges to tip the scale of justice
- Paying off priest to teach peace instead of truth of sin
- Paying off prophets no to give the words of warning from God



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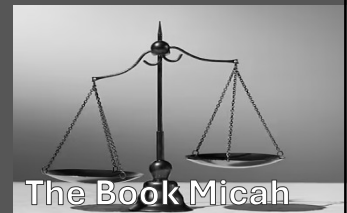
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At What Cost

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God Will Not Be Mocked

- “Lean on the Lord” – outwardly
- “Is not the LORD in the midst of us” – false assertions about God
- “No disaster shall come upon us.” – denying the reality of judgement and sin



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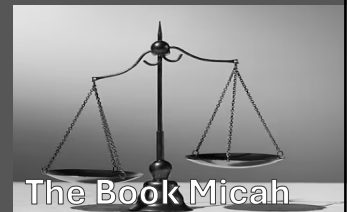
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Judgement For The Wickedness Of Leaders

- Devastation and purification
- God will not allow His people continue in sin



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2 Timothy 4:1–5

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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**Are You Seeking God For Relief
Or
Are You Humbling Seeking
Repentance And Healing**

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