

MICAH

ca. 740-700 BC

S = Salvation Oracle

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Hear! 1:2

Judgment Announced For God's Unrighteous Nation

Divine Covenant Lawsuit: Yahweh is Coming Like a Divine Warrior to Judge Samaria and Jer.

A Lament for the Coming Calamity and Exile

A Woe Oracle Predicting Doom

Disputation with Oppressors Who Relied On False Prophets (and motivated by greed)

Salvation Oracle (a future remnant to be regathered)

INDICTMENT

Present Leadership
Denounced

3:1-4 Denouncement of Leaders Who Are Evil and Merciless

3:5-8 Denouncement of False Prophets Who Are Bought With a Price

3:9-12 An Indictment of all Leadership as Corrupt (and judgment pronounced)

1:2-7

1:8-16

2:1-5

2:6-11

2:12-13

3:1-12

God Will Raise Up A Righteous Ruler To Replace the Corrupted Leaders

FUTURE HOPE

A Righteous Ruler (Messiah)
Predicted for Israel's Future

4:1-5 Salvation Oracle Depicting the Eschatological Temple at Zion

4:6-8 Salvation Oracle Depicting the Lord's Reign Over Regath. Remnant

4:9-5:1 Present Agony (attack & exile) to be Replaced by Eventual Victory

5:2-4 Future Rise of Israel's Great Godly Ruler from Bethlehem

5:5-9 Future Victory Over Enemies (for Judah's faithful remnant)
5:10-15 Future Cleansing of the Nation (in eschaton)

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God's Loyalty To The Nation In Spite of Judgment

The Anticipation of Zion's Restoration by God's Gracious Compassion

6:1-5 Divine Covenant Lawsuit Announced

6:6-8 Proper Response: True Repentance Rather Than Insincere Sacrifices

6:9-16 God Presents the Evidence That Warrants His Judgment

7:1-7 Micah's Lament for the Nation's Lack of Integrity

8-10 Zion's Confidence Against the Enemy in Spite of Discipline

11-13 Promise of Zion's Eventual Restoration

14-17 Zion's Prayer and Confidence in the Lord

18-20 Hymn of Praise to God

Chapters 1–2

Disobedience Cannot Go Unpunished; Exile is Coming!

Chapters 3–5

God Will Establish A Righteous Rule Through Messiah.

Chapters 6–7

God's Heart For His People; He is Both Just and Loyal.

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