

MICAH

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A verse can express a spiritual truth without being historical.

Each time the subject of a verse changes from “Yahweh”
to “God” and vice versa, there is a new paragraph.

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<p>1:1 The word of the Lord that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, [and] Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.</p> <p>2 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord God be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.</p> <p>3 For, behold, the Lord cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.</p> <p>`</p> <p>`</p> <p>4 And the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, [and] as the waters [that are] poured down a steep place.</p> <p>5 For the transgression of Jacob [is] all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What [is] the transgression of Jacob? [is it] not Samaria? and what [are] the high places of Judah? [are they] not Jerusalem?</p> <p>6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, [and] as plantings of a vineyard: and I will</p>	<p>1:1 The word of the Lord God that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which Micah spoke concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.</p> <p>2 “Hear, all you people; hearken, O earth, and all who are on it; and let the Lord God be the witness against you, the Lord God from His holy temple.</p> <p>3 “For, behold, the Lord God cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth (For, behold, the Lord God will be present with us and will be present on the high places of the earth.)</p> <p>4 “And the mountains shall be molten under Him, and the valleys shall be like wax before a fire, and like waters that are poured down a steep place.</p> <p>5 “For the transgression of Jacob is all this and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Samaria? And what are the high places of Judah? Are they not Jerusalem?”</p> <p>6 So the Lord God says, “Therefore, I will make Samaria as a heap of the field, and like the plantings of a vineyard. And I will pour down her stones into</p>

<p>pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.</p> <p>7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered [it] of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.</p> <p>8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls.</p> <p>9 For her wound [is] incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, [even] to Jerusalem.</p> <p>10 & Declare ye [it] not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.</p> <p>11 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Bethazel; he shall receive of you his standing.</p> <p>12 For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the Lord unto the gate of Jerusalem.</p> <p>13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she [is] the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.</p> <p>14 Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moreshethgath: the houses of Achzib [shall be] a lie to the kings of Israel.</p> <p>15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.</p> <p>16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.</p>	<p>the valley, and I will uncover her foundations.</p> <p>7 “And all her idols shall be beaten to pieces, and all the wages of her temple prostitutes shall be burned with fire; and all her idols I will lay desolate. For she gathered them from the wages of a prostitute, and they shall return to being the wages of a prostitute.”</p> <p>8 So Micah said, “Therefore, I will wail and howl; I will go stripped and naked; I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls.</p> <p>9 “For her wound is incurable, for it has come to Judah; it has come to the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.</p> <p>10 “Do not declare it at Gath; do not weep at all; in the house of Aphrah roll in the dust.</p> <p>11 “Pass away, you inhabitant of Saphir, having your shame naked; the inhabitant of Zaanan did not come forth in the mourning of Bethazel. He shall receive from you his standing.</p> <p>12 “For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good, but evil came down from the Lord God to the gate of Jerusalem.</p> <p>13 “You inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift horse; she is the beginning of sin to the daughter of Zion; for the transgressions of Israel were found in you.</p> <p>14 “Therefore, you shall give presents to Moresheth-gath; the houses of Achzib shall be a lie to the kings of Israel.</p> <p>15 “Yet I will bring an heir to you, O inhabitant of Mareshah; he shall come to Adullam the glory of Israel.</p> <p>16 “Make yourselves bald and cut off your hair in mourning for your delicate children; enlarge your baldness as the eagle; for they will go into captivity from you.”</p>
<p>2:1 Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.</p> <p>2 And they covet fields, and take [them] by violence; and houses, and take [them] away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.</p> <p>3 Therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, against this</p>	<p>2:1 Woe to those who plan evil and think of mean actions upon their beds! When the morning is light, they practice evil because it is in the power of their hand to do so.</p> <p>2 And they covet fields and take them by violence, and houses, and take them away; so they oppress people and their house, even people and their heritage.</p> <p>3 Therefore, the Lord God says, “Behold, against</p>

<p>family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time [is] evil.</p> <p>4 & In that day shall [one] take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, [and] say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed [it] from me! turning away he hath divided our fields.</p> <p>5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the Lord.</p> <p>6 Prophecy ye not, [say they to them that] prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, [that] they shall not take shame.</p> <p>7 & O [thou that art] named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the Lord straitened? [are] these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh uprightly?</p> <p>8 Even of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.</p> <p>9 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.</p> <p>10 Arise ye, and depart; for this [is] not [your] rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy [you], even with a sore destruction.</p> <p>11 If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, [saying], I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.</p> <p>12 & I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of [the multitude of] men.</p> <p>13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the Lord on the head of them.</p>	<p>your family I devise an evil, from which you shall not remove your necks; nor shall you go haughtily. For this time is evil.”</p> <p>4 In that day one shall take up a parable against you and lament with a doleful lamentation and say, “We are utterly spoiled. He has changed the portion of my people: He has removed it from me! Turning away He has divided our fields.</p> <p>5 “Therefore, you shall have no one who shall set boundary lines by lot in the congregation of the Lord God.”</p> <p>6 Do not prophesy, “they say to those who prophesy; they shall not prophesy to them so that they shall not be ashamed.”</p> <p>7 O you who are named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the Lord God limited? Are these His doings? Do not His words do good to those who walk uprightly?</p> <p>8 The Lord God says, “Even of late My people have risen up as an enemy; you pull off the robe with the garment from those who pass by securely as people returning alive from war.</p> <p>9 “The women of My people you have cast out from their pleasant homes; you have taken away My glory forever from their children.</p> <p>10 “Arise and depart; for this is not your rest; because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.</p> <p>11 “If a person walking in the spirit and falsehood lies, saying, ‘I will prophesy to you of wine and strong drink,’ this person shall be the prophet of this people.</p> <p>12 “I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of you; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold. They shall make great noise because of the multitude of people.</p> <p>13 “The breaker has come up before them; they have broken up and have passed through the gate and have gone out by it. And their king shall pass before them and the Lord God at the head of them.”</p>
<p>3:1 And I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; [Is it] not for you to know judgment?</p> <p>2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck</p>	<p>3:1 And I Micah said, “Hear, I entreat you, O heads of Jacob, and you princes of the house of Israel. Is it not for you to know justice?</p> <p>2 “You hate good and love evil; you pluck their skin</p>

<p>off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;</p> <p>3 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.</p> <p>4 Then shall they cry unto the Lord, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.</p> <p>5 & Thus saith the Lord concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him.</p> <p>6 Therefore night [shall be] unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.</p> <p>7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for [there is] no answer of God.</p> <p>8 & But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the Lord, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.</p> <p>9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.</p> <p>10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.</p> <p>11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the Lord, and say, [Is] not the Lord among us? none evil can come upon us.</p> <p>12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed [as] a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.</p>	<p>from off them and their flesh from off their bones.</p> <p>3 “You also eat the flesh of my people and flay their skin from off them. And you shall break their bones and chop them in pieces as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.</p> <p>4 “Then you shall cry out to the Lord God, but He will not hear you: He will even hide Himself from you at that time, as you have behaved yourselves ill in your actions.”</p> <p>5 The Lord God says, “I am against the prophets that make My people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, ‘Peace.’ And the person who does not put what they want into their mouths, they even prepare war against.</p> <p>6 “Therefore, it shall be night to you so that you shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark to you so that you shall not divine. And the sun shall go down over you prophets, and the day shall be dark over you.”</p> <p>7 Then the seers shall be ashamed and the diviners shall be confounded; yes, they shall all cover their lips, for there is no answer to them from the Lord God.</p> <p>8 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the Lord God, and of justice, and of might to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin.</p> <p>9 I Micah beg you, “Hear this, you heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, who abhor justice and pervert all equity.</p> <p>10 “They build up Zion with blood and Jerusalem with iniquity.</p> <p>11 “Jerusalem’s rulers judge for reward, and its priests teach for wages, and its prophets divine for money. Yet they will lean upon the Lord God and say, ‘Is not the Lord God among us? Therefore, no evil can come upon us.’</p> <p>12 “Therefore, Zion shall be plowed as a field for your sakes, and Jerusalem shall become heaps. And the mountain of the temple shall become like the high places of the forest.</p>
<p>4:1 But in the last days it shall come to pass, [that] the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.</p>	<p>4:1 “But in the last days it shall come to pass that the mountain of the temple of the Lord God shall be established on the top of the mountains. And it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow to it.</p>

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

3 & And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make [them] afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken [it].

5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

6 In that day, saith the Lord, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the Lord shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

8 & And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? [is there] no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go [even] to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the Lord shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 & Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

12 But they know not the thoughts of the Lord, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.

13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will

2 “And many nations shall come and say, ‘Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord God and the temple of the Lord God of Jacob. And He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths. For the law shall go forth from Zion and the word of God from Jerusalem.’

3 “And He shall judge among many people and rebuke strong nations far off, and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, nor shall they learn war anymore.

4 “But all people shall sit under their grapevine and their fig tree; and no one shall make them afraid, for the God of hosts has spoken it.

5 “For all people will walk in the name of their god, but we will walk in the name of God forever and ever.”

6 God says, “In that day I will assemble her who is lame, and I will gather her who is driven out, and her whom I have afflicted.

7 “And I will make her who limps a remnant, and her who was cast far off a strong nation.” And God will reign over them in Mount Zion from henceforth, even forever.

8 And you, O tower of the flock, the stronghold of the daughter of Zion, to you it shall come, even the first dominion. The kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Why do you cry out aloud now? Is there no king in you? Has your counselor perished? For pangs have taken hold of you as if you were a woman giving birth.

10 Be in pain, and labor to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman giving birth; for you shall go forth out of the city now, and you shall dwell in the field. And you shall go even to Babylon. There you shall be delivered; there God shall redeem you from the hand of your enemies.

11 Now also many nations are gathered against you, who say, “Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.”

12 But they do not know the thoughts of the Lord God; nor do they understand His counsel; for He shall gather them as sheaves onto the floor.

13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hoofs

<p>make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the Lord, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.</p>	<p>bronze; and you shall beat in pieces many people. And I will consecrate their gain to the Lord God and their substance to the Lord God of the whole earth.</p>
<p>5:1 Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.</p> <p>2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, [though] thou be little among the thousands of Judah, [yet] out of thee shall he come forth unto me [that is] to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth [have been] from of old, from everlasting.</p> <p>3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time [that] she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.</p> <p>4 & And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.</p> <p>5 And this [man] shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men.</p> <p>6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver [us] from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.</p> <p>7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the Lord, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.</p> <p>8 & And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.</p> <p>9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.</p> <p>10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of</p>	<p>5:1 Now gather yourself in troops, O daughter of Zion; the enemy has laid siege against us; they shall strike down the ruler of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.</p> <p>2 The Lord says, “But you, Bethlehem Ephratah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you the man shall come forth to Me who is to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.¹</p> <p>3 “Therefore, He will give them up until the time that the woman in labor has brought forth her son. Then the Israelites who are in exile shall be reunited with their fellow Hebrews in Israel.</p> <p>4 “And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord God, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall abide, for then he shall be great to the ends of the earth.</p> <p>5 “And this man shall bring peace. When the Assyrian shall come into our land and when the Assyrian shall tread in our palaces, then we shall raise against him seven shepherds and eight principal people.</p> <p>6 “And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword and the land of Nimrod in its entrances. Thus our leaders shall deliver us from the Assyrian when the Assyrian comes into our land and when he treads within our borders.</p> <p>7 “And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people like dew from the Lord God, like the showers upon the grass that do not tarry for humanity nor wait for the children of mortals.</p> <p>8 “And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people like a lion among the animals of the forest, like a young lion among the flocks of sheep, which, if he goes through, both treads down and tears in pieces. And no one can deliver from him.</p> <p>9 “Judah, your hand shall be lifted up upon your adversaries, and all your enemies shall be cut off.”</p> <p>10 The Lord God says to the land of Israel, “It shall come to pass in that day that I will cut off your</p>

<p>thee, and I will destroy thy chariots: `</p> <p>11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds: 12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no [more] soothsayers: 13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands. 14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities. 15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.</p>	<p>horses out of the midst of you, and I will destroy your chariots. 11 "And I will cut off the cities of your land and throw down all your strongholds. 12 "And I will cut off witchcrafts out of your hand, and you shall have no more soothsayers. 13 "Also your idols I will cut off and your standing images out of the midst of you, and you shall not worship anymore the work of your hands. 14 "And I will pluck up your groves out of the midst of you; so I will destroy your cities. 15 "And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen such as they have not heard."</p>
<p>6:1 Hear ye now what the Lord saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice. 2 Hear ye, O mountains, the Lord'S controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the Lord hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel. 3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me. `</p> <p>4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the Lord. 6 & Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, [and] bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? `</p> <p>7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, [or] with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn [for] my transgression, the fruit of my body [for] the sin of my soul? 8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what [is] good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? 9 The Lord'S voice crieth unto the city, and [the man of] wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.</p>	<p>6:1 Hear now what the Lord God says, "Arise, contend before the mountains and let the hills hear your voice. 2 "Hear, O mountains, and you strong foundations of the earth the Lord God's controversy; for the Lord God has a controversy with His people, and He will plead with Israel. 3 "O My people, what have I done to you? And in what have I wearied you that causes you to testify against Me? 4 "For I brought you up out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you out of the house of servants; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 "O My people, remember now what Balak king of Moab conspired to do, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim to Gilgal so that you may know the righteousness of the Lord God." 6 With what shall I Micah come before God, and bow myself before the high God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? No! 7 Will God be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of olive oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? No! 8 He has shown you people what is good. And what does God require of you, except to act justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God? 9 The Lord God's voice cries out to the city, and the sage shall see Your name; know the rod and who has appointed it. 10 "Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the</p>

<p>10 & Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure [that is] abominable?</p> <p>11 Shall I count [them] pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?</p> <p>12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue [is] deceitful in their mouth.</p> <p>13 Therefore also will I make [thee] sick in smiting thee, in making [thee] desolate because of thy sins.</p> <p>14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down [shall be] in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and [that] which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.</p> <p>15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.</p> <p>16 & For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.</p>	<p>houses of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?</p> <p>11 "Shall I the Lord God count those pure who have wicked balances and a bag of deceitful weights?</p> <p>12 "For the rich people are full of violence, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem have spoken lies; and their tongues are deceitful in their mouths.</p> <p>13 "Therefore, I will also make you sick in smiting you, in making you desolate because of your sins.</p> <p>14 "You shall eat but not be satisfied, and your casting down shall be in the midst of you; and you shall take hold but shall not deliver. And that which you deliver, I will give up to the sword.</p> <p>15 "You shall sow, but you shall not reap; you shall tread the olives, but you shall not anoint yourself with olive oil. And you shall make sweet wine but shall not drink it.</p> <p>16 "For the statutes of Omri are kept and all the works of the house of Ahab. And you walk in their counsels so that I should make you a desolation, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a hissing. Therefore, you shall bear the reproach of people everywhere."</p>
<p>7:1 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: [there is] no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.</p> <p>2 The good [man] is perished out of the earth: and [there is] none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.</p> <p>3 & That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge [asketh] for a reward; and the great [man], he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.</p> <p>4 The best of them [is] as a brier: the most upright [is sharper] than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen [and] thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.</p> <p>5 & Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.</p> <p>6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies [are] the men of his own house.</p>	<p>7:1 Woe is me! For I Micah am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the gleanings of the grapes of the vintage; there is no cluster to eat. My soul desires the first-ripe fruit.</p> <p>2 The good person perishes out of the earth; and there is no one upright among people: they all lie in wait for blood; all people hunt their neighbors with a net.</p> <p>3 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asks and the judge asks for a bribe. And the great man utters his evil desire; so they conspire together.</p> <p>4 The best of them is as a brier; the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge; the day of your sentinel and your visitation comes; now shall be their perplexity.</p> <p>5 Do not trust in a friend; do not put your confidence in a guide; be careful what you say to her who lies in your bosom.</p> <p>6 For the son dishonors the father; the daughter rises up against her mother; the daughter-in-law is against her mother-in-law; a person's enemies are the people of the person's own house.</p>

7 Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

8 & Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord [shall be] a light unto me.

9 I will bear the indignation of the Lord, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, [and] I shall behold his righteousness.

10 Then [she that is] mine enemy shall see [it], and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the Lord thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.

11 [In] the day that thy walls are to be built, [in] that day shall the decree be far removed.

12 [In] that day [also] he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and [from] the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and [from] mountain to mountain.

13 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

14 & Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily [in] the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed [in] Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous [things].

16 & The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay [their] hand upon [their] mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the Lord our God, and shall fear because of thee.

18 Who [is] a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth [in] mercy.

19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, [and] the

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10 Then the person who is my enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover the person who said to me, "Where is your God?" My eyes shall behold the person who is my enemy; now this person shall be trampled down as the mire of the streets.

11 In the day, O Jerusalem, that your walls are to be built, in that day the decree shall be far removed.

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18 Who is a Lord God like You, that pardons iniquity, and overlooks the transgressions of the remnant of His heritage? You do not retain Your anger forever because You delight in mercy.

19 You will turn again toward us; You will have compassion upon us; You will subdue our iniquities, and You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

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¹ 5:2 Matthew 2:6; John 7:40-43