

## Micah 4-7 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. From Micah 5:5b-9 what will God do for Israel when the enemy attacks (v5b-6)? How will Israel be viewed in the last days (v7, 8) and what will they do to their enemies (v9)?

5. Using 5:10-15 what will God eliminate from the nations in the last days (v10-11, 12, 13, 14)? What will He do to those who disobey (v15)?

6. In 6:1-5 what “case” did the Lord have against Israel (v1-3, 4, 5)? How did God do right by Israel regarding Balak and Balaam (see Num 22-24)?

7. Read 6:6-8. What “gifts” are not required by God to come into His presence (v6, 7)? What does He require (v8) and why are these important?

8. According to 6:9-16 what was Israel doing wrong (v10-11, 12, 16) and what was God going to do about it in the short term (v13, 14, 15, 16)?

9. From 7:1-6 what was Micah looking for (v1-2) and what did he find (v2, 3, 4, 5-6)? What can people who trust in man expect (v4-6)?

10. Looking at 7:7-13 what can those who trust in the Lord expect (v7, 8, 9, 10, 11-12)? What will happen to those who mock Him (v10, 13)?

11. In 7:14-20 what was Micah’s prayer (v14) and God’s answer (v15-17)? How is God described (v18-20) and how does this relate to Micah’s prayer?

### Scripture to Remember

*“He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?”*

**Micah 3:4 (NASV)**

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### Life Group Questions—Going the Distance—No Fear (2 Timothy 1:7)

*(Using questions based on today’s message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)*

1. What are some of the things that you were afraid of as a child? What are some of the effects that fear has on people?
2. Read 2 Tim 1:7. How is the spirit of fear different from fear itself? What are some types of fear, and when can it be good? When is it bad?
3. What do you think Timothy was afraid of— and how does that relate to us today as Christians?
4. Discuss why sin is the source of all fear—resulting either from the fall of man, personal sin, or the sin of others against us. How does knowing that help us defeat it?
5. Talk about the lies of the enemy that keep us from overcoming fear— that we are powerless, we are loveless, and that we are hopeless. What do these do to us?
6. Specifically identify ways that each of you can appropriate God’s resources of power, of love, and of a sound or disciplined mind to overcome the fears in your lives.
7. If there is time bring up anything else from the message that you would like to talk about.



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## Brilliant!

### Introduction to Micah 4-7

#### The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God’s pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God’s family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

There is a popular commercial in which two British guys solve a problem, then end with the exclamation, “Brilliant!” With regard to man’s biggest problem, sin and its consequences, God has solved it; in reality He alone is the One truly “Brilliant!”. This is demonstrated in this week’s study in Micah. Although Israel continues in its sins, His plan to restore all things to His original design is not frustrated and Micah 4-7 presents some key aspects of this. First, a fantastic future for God’s people is painted. In the last days Israel, represented by Jerusalem, will figuratively be the highest mountain in the world, and all the other mountains (kingdoms) will honor them. They will desire to go to this mountain so that the Lord can teach them His ways and

render wise judgments for them. Peace will prevail as all are unified around Him, and everyone will experience His prosperity. Even the outcasts and lame, the invisible ones of society, will be included in that day and Israel’s former dominion will be restored. Before that occurs Israel will endure God’s discipline, but in the end they will pulverize the nations who have oppressed them and offer their wealth to God. This will happen because God will raise a leader from the insignificant place of Bethlehem. He will be none other than the Messiah who will shepherd His people in the strength and majesty of God. He will be the One who institutes peace for His people in every way. Unfortunately, the people of Micah’s day were engaged in futile practices—they had forgotten



**It is good when God gets in our face and straightens us up through His Word.**

God’s goodness to them and thus would not be satisfied with any of His blessings. All He asked was for them to do justice, love kindness and walk in humility with Him. Instead they were deceitful, violent, and disloyal. Those who trusted in God, though, could rely on a faithful premise: if they waited for His salvation He would cause them to rise again. Their walls and boundaries would be restored and He would shepherd them, casting all their sins into the depths of the sea. Obviously, God’s plan is indeed “Brilliant!”.

## Daily Study Questions for Micah 4-7

(For answers to questions attend an ABF or go to [www.celebrationnet.com](http://www.celebrationnet.com), small groups, abf)

<p>1. Read Micah 4:1-8. List all the things that will happen in the last days (v1, 2, 3, 4, 6-7, 8)? What will be some of the themes of this age (v1-2, 3-4, 5, 6-7)?</p>	
<p>2. Using 4:9-13 what will happen first to Israel (9-10, 11), but then what will the Lord do (v10, 12, 13)? How should Israel respond (v9, 13)?</p>	
<p>3. Looking at 5:1-5a who will rescue Israel (v2) and what will He be like (v2, 4, 5a)? Where will He be born (v2) and why is this significant? Apply.</p>	

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