

This Just Got Serious





¹ Then I said, “Listen, you leaders of Jacob, you rulers of Israel. Should you not embrace justice,
² you who hate good and love evil; who tear the skin from my people and the flesh from their bones;
³ who eat my people’s flesh, strip off their skin and break their bones in pieces; who chop them up like meat for the pan, like flesh for the pot?”

Micah 3:1-3 (NIV)

⁴ Then they will cry out to the LORD, but he will not answer them. At that time he will hide his face from them because of the evil they have done.

⁵ This is what the LORD says: "As for the prophets who lead my people astray, they proclaim 'peace' if they have something to eat, but prepare to wage war against anyone who refuses to feed them.

Micah 3:4-5 (NIV)

⁹ Hear this, you leaders of Jacob, you rulers of Israel, who despise justice and distort all that is right; ¹⁰ who build Zion with bloodshed, and Jerusalem with wickedness. ¹¹ Her leaders judge for a bribe, her priests teach for a price, and her prophets tell fortunes for money.

Micah 3:9-11a (NIV)

11 Yet they look for the LORD's support and say, "Is not the LORD among us? No disaster will come upon us." 12 Therefore because of you, Zion will be plowed like a field, Jerusalem will become a heap of rubble, the temple hill a mound overgrown with thickets.

Micah 3:11b-12 (NIV)

¹² Therefore because of you, Zion will be plowed like a field, Jerusalem will become a heap of rubble, the temple hill a mound overgrown with thickets.

Micah 3:12 (NIV)

The leaders had wrong beliefs about God.

⁶ “Do not prophesy,” their prophets say. “Do not prophesy about these things; disgrace will not overtake us.” ⁷ You descendants of Jacob, should it be said, “Does the LORD become impatient? Does he do such things?”

“Do not my words do good to the one whose ways are upright?

Micah 2:6-7 (NIV)

The leaders had wrong beliefs about God.
The leader's greed made them corrupt and unjust.

⁸ Lately my people have risen up like an enemy. You strip off the rich robe from those who pass by without a care, like men returning from battle. ⁹ You drive the women of my people from their pleasant homes. You take away my blessing from their children forever.

Micah 2:8-9 (NIV)

¹⁰ Get up, go away! For this is not your resting place, because it is defiled, it is ruined, beyond all remedy.

Micah 2:10 (NIV)

The Leaders had wrong beliefs about God.

The Leader's greed made them corrupt and unjust.

The leaders surrounded themselves with "yes men,"
and told people what they wanted to hear.

11 If a liar and deceiver comes and says, 'I will prophesy for you plenty of wine and beer,' that would be just the prophet for this people!

Micah 2:11 (NIV)

⁸ But as for me, I am filled with power, with the Spirit of the LORD, and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression, to Israel his sin.

Micah 3:8 (NIV)

Micah is...

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3. Filled with Might

18 “Micah of Moresheth prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah. He told all the people of Judah, ‘This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Zion will be plowed like a field, Jerusalem will become a heap of rubble, the temple hill a mound overgrown with thickets.’

Jeremiah 26:18 (NIV)

19 “Did Hezekiah king of Judah or anyone else in Judah put him to death? Did not Hezekiah fear the LORD and seek his favor? And did not the LORD relent, so that he did not bring the disaster he pronounced against them?

Jeremiah 26:19a (NIV)

Be intentional about who you follow.

Be intentional about the impact you're
having on others.









