

JUSTICE & MERCY

THE REVELATION OF GOD THROUGH THE PROPHET MICAH

THE MAN AND HIS TIMES

Community Group Discussion Guide

In the Old Testament, the Lord spoke through his prophets. These were people of God that spoke the truths of God on his behalf. As this truth is revealed to the nations of Israel and Judah, they learn about the heart of God for justice and mercy. Through this revelation from the prophet Micah, the people have a choice as to how they will respond to the words of the Lord.

STARTER

What has your experience been with prophets or prophecy? Have you seen it as something to be scared of or embraced? Was it something that you have heard talked about or was it something others have stayed away from?

When we open the book of Micah, we have to consider what a prophet it, how the words were received, then how they can speak into our lives today. Together may we learn more of the God of justice and mercy and what it means to follow Him.

GETTING INTO THE SCRIPTURE

In smaller group of 2-4 people, please read Micah 1 and answer these questions:

How is the Lord characterized in these passages?

What actions are bringing the Lord's justice upon Israel?

How is the mercy of the Lord demonstrated in these verses?

MAKING IT REAL

What do you think it would have been like to hear these words coming from a man claiming to be a prophet of God? How would you know if these words were from God or not?

Please read Micah 6:6-8. These are important verses in Micah's overall message because they connect the justice and the mercy of the Lord to everyday living with God. What is at the heart of Micah's message to the people about how to live in relationship with God?

In light of the previous question, what does this look like in our everyday lives?

PRAYER

In prayer, as the Lord to speak to us and that we would respond properly to Him in this series.