

JUSTICE & MERCY

THE REVELATION OF GOD THROUGH THE PROPHET MICAH

Perverted Justice

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

When you think of the word "injustice" what are some of the stories or images that come to your mind?

GETTING INTO THE SCRIPTURE

Please read Micah 3:1-12.

In these verses, Micah speaks to three different groups of people: political leaders (3:1-4), spiritual leaders (3:5-8), and all of the leaders (3:9-12).

What does Micah have to specially say to each group?

What common themes are there for all three groups?

What contrast does Micah give about why he is able to speak to these things?

MAKING IT REAL

Even though this message was specifically for the leaders of the nation, what can we learn from their mistakes about living with God?

How does the work of Christ change our attitudes and our desires? (If you need help please refer to Hebrews 11:1-3, 6 and Romans 12:1-2)

PRAYER

Please take a few moments to earnestly pray that God would change our hearts and make us more like Jesus. Ask him to change our thinking. Ask him to change our desires. Ask him to smash our self-deception. Ask him to grow our faith in Him. As much as you can call people to deep prayer in this.