

Micah 7:1-13 **Sorrow and Confession for Israel's Sin**

Sorrow for Israel's Sins

1 Woe is me! For I am like those who gather summer fruits, Like those who glean vintage grapes; There is no cluster to eat Of the first-ripe fruit which my soul desires.

2 The faithful man has perished from the earth, And there is no one upright among men. They all lie in wait for blood; Every man hunts his brother with a net.

3 That they may successfully do evil with both hands — The prince asks for gifts, The judge seeks a bribe, And the great man utters his evil desire; So they scheme together.

4 The best of them is like a brier; The most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge; The day of your watchman and your punishment comes; Now shall be their perplexity.

5 Do not trust in a friend; Do not put your confidence in a companion; Guard the doors of your mouth From her who lies in your bosom.

6 For son dishonors father, Daughter rises against her mother, Daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; A man's enemies are the men of his own household.

7 Therefore I will look to Yahweh (the Lord); I will wait for Elohey (the God) of my salvation; Elohay (My God) will hear me.

Micah's Confession over Israel and Comfort

8 Do not rejoice over me, my enemy; When I fall, I will arise; When I sit in darkness, Yahweh (The Lord) will be a light to me.

9 I will bear the indignation of Yahweh (the Lord), Because I have sinned against Him, Until He pleads my case And executes justice for me. He will bring me forth to the light; I will see His righteousness.

10 Then she who is my enemy will see, And shame will cover her who said to me, "Where is Yahweh Eloheyka (the Lord your God)? "My eyes will see her; Now she will be trampled down Like mud in the streets.

11 In the day when your walls are to be built-In that day the decree shall go far and wide.

12 In that day they shall come to you From Assyria and the fortified cities, From the fortress to the River, From sea to sea, And mountain to mountain.

13 Yet the land shall be desolate Because of those who dwell in it, And for the fruit of their deeds.
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Facts Revealed:

Sorrow for Israel's Sins [Micah 7:1-7]

- ✧ Woe is me! Micah feels the impact of coming dearth brought on as the result of Israel's sins.
- ✧ A quick survey of the moral character of the society in which he lives shows there in none righteous, no not one. [Romans 3:10-18, Psalm 14:1-3, 53:1-3]
- ✧ Wickedness has permeated every level of society from the prince who asks for gifts, the judge who seeks a bribe, to family members and friends against each other. [Micah 7:2-6, Genesis 6:11-12]

- ✧ Micah warned the people that the day of their punishment is coming near. [Micah 7:4]
- ✧ Micah's only hope is in Yahweh, and he is committed to wait on Elohey for his salvation, confident that Elohay will hear him. [Micah 7:7]

Micah's Confession over Israel and Comfort [Micah 7:8-13]

- ✧ Micah expressed his confidence that Yahweh will be a light for him in the end. [Micah 7:8]
- ✧ Micah expects to bear the indignation of Yahweh, because he too is a sinner. [Micah 7:9]
- ✧ Micah is confident that the time will come when Yahweh will plead his case, execute justice for him, and bring him to the light, where he will see the righteousness of God. [Micah 7:9]
- ✧ On the day of judgment, the enemy who scoffed and said, "Where is the Lord your God?" will see and be ashamed as they face their own judgment. [Micah 7:10, Matthew 25:31-46]
- ✧ Micah will see the reward of the wicked. [Micah 7:10, Psalm 91:8, Matthew 25:31-46]
- ✧ On the day Yahweh sets up His Kingdom, all the remnant of Israel will be regathered from around the earth to their own land. [Micah 7:11-12, Isaiah 11:10-12, Jeremiah 30:1-3]
- ✧ As for now, judgment is coming and the land will be desolate because of the sins of the people of Israel. [Micah 7:13]