

SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: MICAH

The word of the LORD that came to Micah of Moresheth in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem. (Micah 1:1)

The Man Micah

- Name: *The name 'Micah' means 'who is like YAH?'*
Home: *He comes from Moresheth, a small village some 21 miles south west of Jerusalem*
Audience: *Samaria (Israel) and Jerusalem (Judah)*
Times: *During the reign of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah. This could range from 61 to 16 years. It is likely that he ministered for about 40 years and have personally witnessed the fall of Israel in the north.*
Contemporaries: *Amos, Hosea, Isaiah*
Result: *Jeremiah 26:18-19 tell us that the revival under Hezekiah can be attributed to the preaching of Micah!*

Micah is known as a preacher who asks a lot of questions!

The Book Micah

Three cycles of prophetic message each beginning with the word 'Hear!' (2:1, 3:1, 6:1).

Each message follows the same pattern:

- (i) God accuses them of sin
- (ii) God pronounces punishment upon *deserving* sinners
- (iii) God announcing grace to *undeserving* sinners!!

A common and important concept found in **Micah** is 'the remnant' (2:12, 5:7-8, 7:18)

Some Famous Passages From Micah

- **Micah 5:2**
- **Micah 6:8**
- **Micah 7:18-20**

Read them, memorize them and meditate on them!