

**MAJORING ON THE MINOR**

**MICAH**




## MICAH 1:1 NIV

The word of the Lord that came to Micah of Moresheth during the reigns of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah—the vision he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

**MICAH 3:8 NIV**

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.



**LOOKING AT THE OVERARCHING  
THEME OF MICAH**



**GOD MUST CONFRONT AND JUDGE  
EVIL AMONG HIS PEOPLE, BUT  
GOD'S COVENANT LOVE AND  
PROMISES ARE MORE POWERFUL  
THAN HUMAN EVIL.**

## MICAH 3:2-3 NIV

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 3:9-10,12 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. 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.

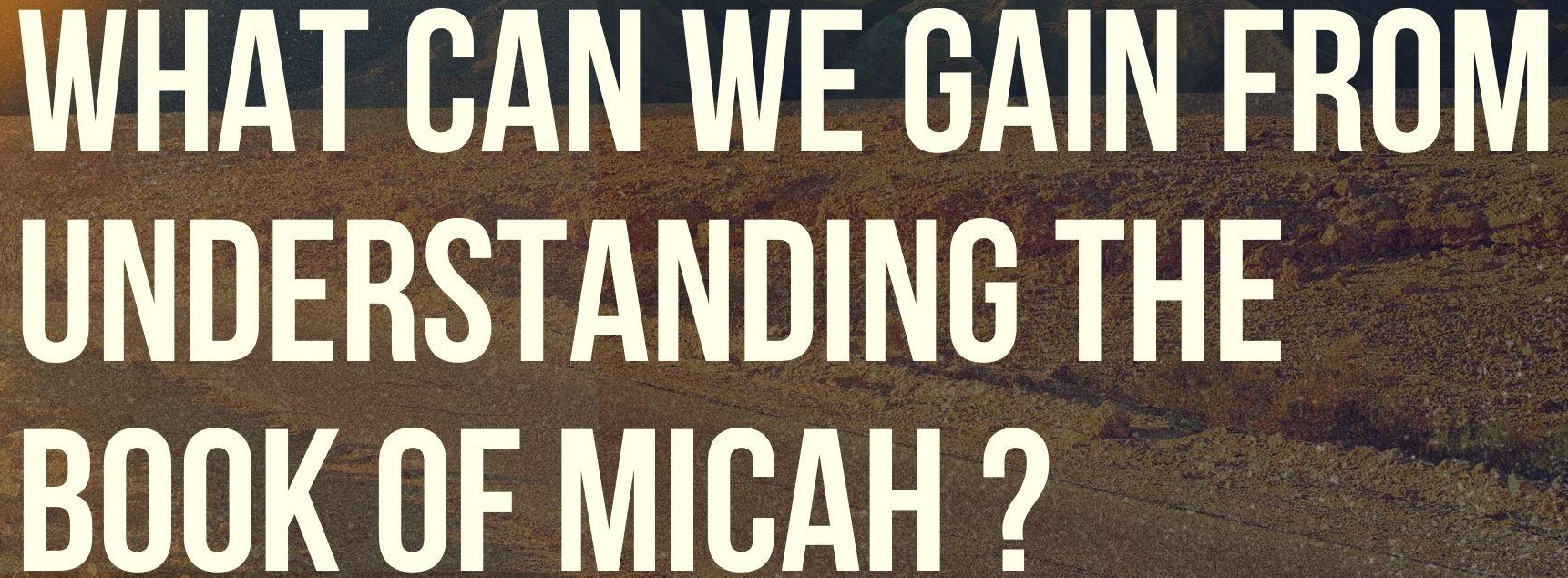
## MICAH 4:6-7 NIV

6 “In that day,” declares the Lord,  
“I will gather the lame;  
I will assemble the exiles  
and those I have brought to grief.

7 I will make the lame my remnant,  
those driven away a strong nation.

The Lord will rule over them in Mount Zion  
from that day and forever.”



A desert landscape with mountains in the background and a road leading into the distance. The text is overlaid on the image.

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- WE ARE NOT IMMUNE.

**MICAH 3:11 NIV**

11 Her leaders judge for a bribe,  
her priests teach for a price,  
and her prophets tell fortunes for money.  
Yet they look for the Lord's support and say,  
“Is not the Lord among us?  
No disaster will come upon us.”

A photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a paved road curves through a dry, rocky terrain. The middle ground shows a wide, flat expanse of land with sparse, low-lying vegetation. In the background, there are rolling hills or mountains under a clear sky. The overall color palette is dominated by earthy tones like browns, tans, and greys, with a slight gradient from light to dark across the scene.

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- WE HAVE OUR MARCHING ORDERS.

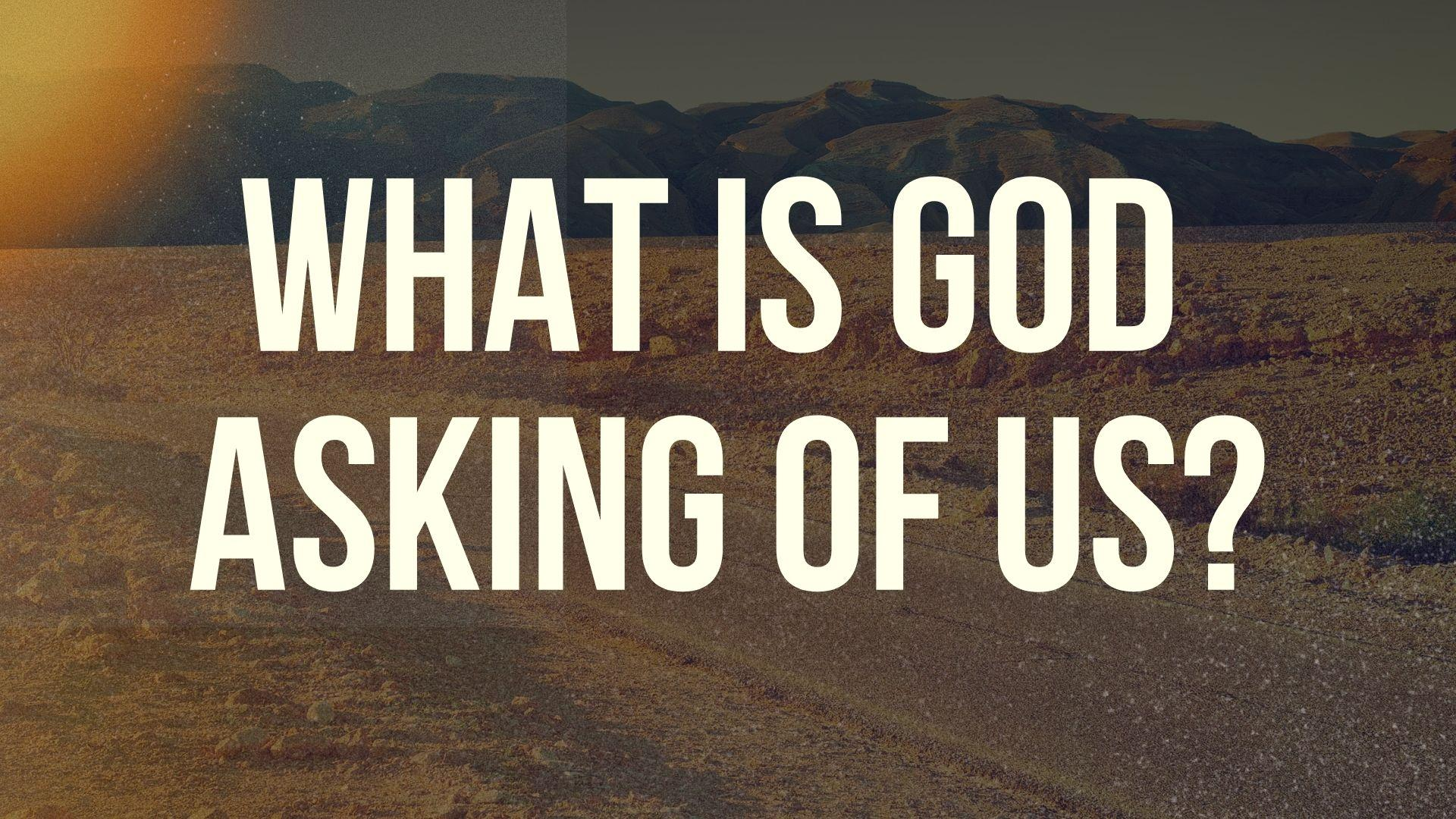
## MICAH 6:6-8 NIV

6 With what shall I come before the Lord  
and bow down before the exalted God?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten  
thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my  
transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

8 He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the  
Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy  
and to walk humbly with your God.

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a gravel road leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The terrain is arid and rocky, with sparse, low-lying vegetation. In the background, a range of dark, rolling mountains stretches across the horizon under a clear sky. The lighting suggests a bright day, with a slight shadow cast by the mountains.

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WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD: REMEMBER WHO I AM. -- I AM YOUR GOD. IF YOU KEEP THAT IN MIND, YOU WILL WALK HUMBLY BEFORE ME.

A photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a paved road curves through a dry, rocky terrain. The middle ground shows rolling hills and a valley. In the background, there are dark, rugged mountains under a clear sky. The overall color palette is warm, with browns, oranges, and greys.

# WHAT CAN WE GAIN FROM UNDERSTANDING THE BOOK OF MICAH?

- WE HAVE GOOD REASONS TO HAVE HOPE.

## MICAH 7:18-20 NIV

18 Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. 19 You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. 20 You will be faithful to Jacob, and show love to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our ancestors in days long ago.

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a dirt road with visible tire tracks leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The terrain is arid and rocky, with sparse, low-lying vegetation. In the background, a range of dark, rugged mountains stretches across the horizon. The sky is a mix of deep blue and orange, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is serene and hopeful.

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- GOD'S PROMISES - VS20

**MATTHEW 23:23 NIV**

23 “Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.”