



### **A. Examining the texts.**

1. Read Micah 3:8. What does this passage say about Micah and his calling from God? Read Micah 6:8. What was the calling God had placed on his people?
2. Read Micah 6:3-4. What does this tell you about God's history with his people? What had they done for him and how did they respond to him?
3. Read Micah 3:1-4 & Micah 3:9-12. What kind of leadership did Israel have? How does this speak to the condition of the human heart? Read Micah 1:6-7. What had God planned for Israel because of this and what does that reveal about him?
4. Read Micah 2:12-13, Micah 4:6-8, Micah 4:10 and Micah 5:2-4. What hope is there for this corrupt and sinful people? What is God going to do for them?
5. Read Micah 7:18-20. How does this prophetic word point toward the work of Christ?

### **B. Meditation & application**

6. What kind of image of God does Micah paint in relation to sin and judgement? How would you explain this to an unbeliever?
7. What do the passages of hope and promise in Micah convey about the nature of God in relation to our sinfulness?
8. How does Micah point us toward the "Christ event?"

Dear heavenly Father- We thank you for your unfailing promise of commitment toward us. We praise you that you are a God who ultimately judges sin and is concerned for justice. But we also want to acknowledge that we are so grateful for your mercy and kindness and that you have declared that you are wanting to trample on our sin and bring your mercy to bear upon your people. Help us in the power of the Spirit to anticipate the coming of Christ, by doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly with God. In Jesus Name- Amen.