

February 6, 2019

God Most Promised

Micah 5:2-15

Promised _____ (vs. 2a)

1. Insignificant town (Matt. 2:1-6)
 - a. Bethlehem Ephrathah – “house of bread” and “fruitful one”
 - b. Too little to be among the clans
2. City of David
3. From you...for me (John 17:4)

Promised _____ (vs. 2b-3)

1. Ruler
2. Eternal - from of old, ancient days; everlasting
(Ps. 90:2, Hab. 1:12, Deut. 33:27, John 1:1, Col. 1:15-17, Rev. 1:8)
3. Reunite and restore Israel

Promised _____ (vs. 4-5a)

1. He shall stand - endure forever!
2. He shall shepherd his flock (John 10)
3. He shall serve His people
4. He shall be great to the ends of the earth
5. He shall be their peace (Luke 2:14 & Eph. 2:14)

Promised _____ (vs. 5b-6)

1. More than enough! (7 shepherds, 8 princes of men)
2. Messiah will defend his kingdom from enemy attack
3. Messiah will rule over his enemies

Promised _____ (vs. 7-9)

1. Israel will be a blessing – life to some, but death to others (2 Cor. 2:14-16)
2. Israel will be mighty
3. Israel will be purified

Promised _____ (vs. 10-15)

1. Horses and chariots – military power
2. Cities and strongholds – places of retreat and refuge
3. Sorceries and soothsayers – attempt to control the future
4. Idolatrous paraphernalia – allegiances to false gods to help and rescue

Ponder & Pray:

1. In what areas of my life have I become self-reliant and unwilling to surrender to the Good Shepherd? Am I relying on myself to resolve or control a situation?
2. What “self-help strategies” might God need to “cut off” from me? Will I actually ask Him to show me an accurate answer, and then do the cutting work?
3. How is Jesus a better Savior and Shepherd than the things that rival Him in my life? How will this motivate me to worship and live for Him alone?

**Please see the back for Micah 6 homework! ☺*

Homework for Micah 6: Memorize Micah 6:8! Then –

1. Read Micah 6. Commentators consider this a scene in a Cosmic Courtroom. Who is the Plaintiff? Defendants? Witnesses? Judge?
2. Read Numbers 22-24. Why do you think God used the example of King Balak and Balaam within Micah 6?
3. Read Numbers 25:1-3. How did the people curse themselves?
4. Read Joshua 3 – 4. Circle the names of the two cities Shittim (3:1) and Gilgal (4:19). What happened in between the two?
5. Find the evil Northern Kings Omri (6) and Ahab (7) on our Old Testament Timeline. Read 1 Kings 16:21 -33 to get to know the depths of their depravity.