

Session 26: Obadiah & Micah

Videos:

- Overview: Obadiah
- Overview: Micah

Recommended Readings from the ESV Study Bible:

- Introduction to Obadiah (pp. 1677–1679)
- Introduction to Micah (pp. 1693–1695)

Handouts from The Bible Project:

- Obadiah Overview Poster
- Micah Overview Poster

Handouts from Dr. Parke:

- Book of Obadiah - Slides from Dr. Parke's Teaching
- Book of Micah - Slides form Dr. Parke's Teaching

Handouts from ESV Study Bible:

- Map: The Near East at the Time of Micah

THE BACKSTORY:



- SHORTEST BOOK IN THE OLD TESTAMENT
- POEMS OF DIVINE JUDGMENT AGAINST ANCIENT **EDOM**
- BUT WAIT! THERE'S MORE TO IT!

EDOM

SEE GENESIS 25-27
SEE NUMBERS 20:14-20

OBADIAH

EDOM'S PRIDE & FALL IS AN IMAGE
HEBREW: **עֲבַדְיָהוּ** 'EDOM'

vv1-14 ACCUSATIONS AGAINST EDM

WE LIVE IN THE HEIGHTS, AT HOME WITH THE STARS! WHO CAN BRING US DOWN?!
(1:3-4)

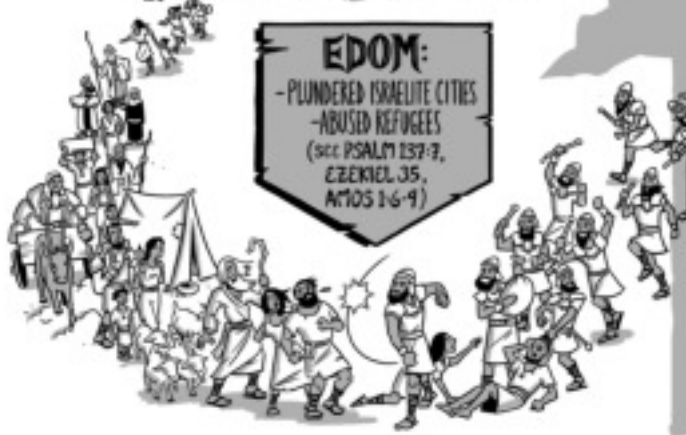
EDOM'S PRIDE & SELF-EXALTATION

AS YOU HAVE DONE TO ISRAEL, IT WILL BE DONE TO YOU!



BABYLON INVADES JERUSALEM
(2 KINGS 25)

EDOM:
- PLUNDERED ISRAELITE CITIES
- ABUSED REFUGEES
(see PSALM 137:7, EZEKIEL 35, AMOS 1:6-9)



OBADIAH

EDOM'S PRIDE
is an
EXAMPLE
of the
HUMAN
CONDITION

EDOM'S DOWNFALL
points to the
COMING
of
GOD'S KINGDOM
over
ALL NATIONS

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GE OF

THE PRIDE & FALL OF ALL NATIONS
HEBREW: אָדָם = HUMANITY

vv16-21 THE DAY OF THE LORD FOR ALL NATIONS

v15

THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR AGAINST ALL NATIONS.

v16
JUDGMENT OF ALL PRIDEFUL NATIONS

v17-21
RESTORATION OF GOD'S KINGDOM OVER JERUSALEM & ALL NATIONS

AFTER THE DAY OF THE LORD:

JOEL 2&3:

GOD WILL SAVE JERUSALEM & ALL WHO CALL ON HIS NAME.

NEW JERUSALEM

AMOS 9:11-15

GOD WILL RESTORE DAVID'S LINE & INCLUDE EDMON & ALL NATIONS IN HIS KINGDOM.



ALL NATIONS



MIC

GOD DELIGHTS IN COVENANTS. HE SHOWS COMPASSION. HE WILL TOSS OUR SINS.

1-2

ACCUSATIONS & WARNINGS



GOD APPEARS
TO JUDGE HIS PEOPLE
(LIKE AT MT. SINAI - SEE EXODUS 19-20)

BUT WHY...?



3-4a



DISASTER IS COMING...



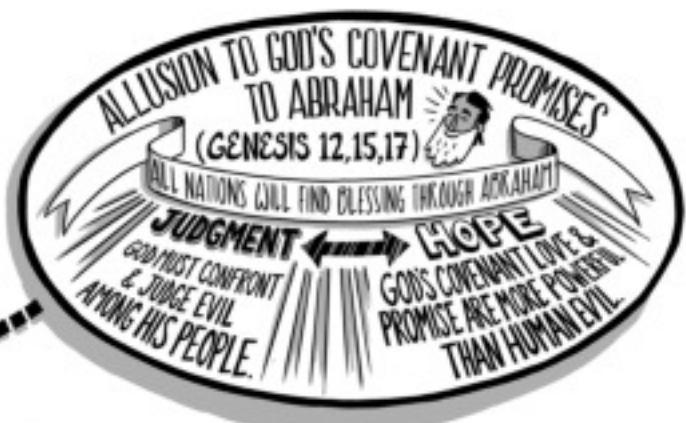
...BUT IT'S NOT PERMANENT

HOPE & RESTORATION



MICAH

...NT LOVE, SO HE WILL AGAIN
WILL TRAMPLE OUR EVIL;
INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA." **7:16-20**



4b-5



5:7-11
GOD'S KINGDOM CONFRONTS EVIL & BLESSES THE NATIONS



6-7



7:8-20 ISRAEL PERSONIFIED AS A SUFFERING, DEFEATED INDIVIDUAL

2 REASONS FOR FUTURE HOPE:

1 GOD'S CHARACTER

"WHO IS A GOD LIKE YOU, WHO FORGIVES SIN & PARDONS REBELLION?" (7:18)

I WATCH FOR THE LORD...

LET MY GOD HEAR ME!

2 GOD'S PROMISES


"YOU WILL STAY TRUE TO JACOB & SHOW COVENANT LOVE TO ABRAHAM, AS YOU SWORE LONG AGO." (7:20)

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Book of Micah

Slides from Dr. Parke's Teachings

SLIDE 1



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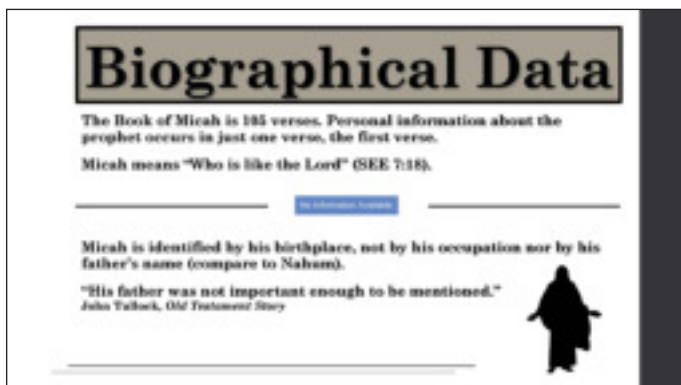
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The slide features a dark background with a small icon of the prophet Micah in the top right corner. The title "Book of Micah" is prominently displayed in white, with the workshop details below it.

SLIDE 2



SLIDE 3



Biographical Data

The Book of Micah is 185 verses. Personal information about the prophet occurs in just one verse, the first verse.

Micah means "Who is like the Lord" (SEE 7:18).

[Go to Micah's Biography](#)

Micah is identified by his birthplace, not by his occupation nor by his father's name (compare to Nahum).

"His father was not important enough to be mentioned."
John Yallock, *Old Testament Story*

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Biographical Data

Hometown
Moresbeth-gath (1:1, 14; Jer. 26:18)
"small town . . . located in the hilly region of Judah"
Andrew S. Hill and John R. Walton, *A Survey of the Old Testament*
about 20 miles southwest of Jerusalem

Ministry
Location and Time: 8th Century Judah (Southern Kingdom)
coinciding with the reign of three Southern Kingdom kings,
Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah (1:1)
"Micah of Moresbeth prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah"
(Jer. 26:18)

SLIDE 5

Biographical Data

Impact
"He shocked his people by being the first prophet to predict the utter destruction of Jerusalem."
E. Hans Scoggins, *The Broadman Bible Commentary*

"Zion will be plowed as a field, Jerusalem will become a heap of ruins, and the mountains of the temple will become high places of a forest." (1:7-10)

quoted in the Book of Jeremiah (SEE Jer. 26:18)
"Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put [Micah] to death? Did he not fear the Lord and entreat the favor of the Lord, and the Lord changed His mind about the misfortune which He had pronounced against them?" (Jer. 26:19)

inspired a nationwide spiritual reform (SEE 2 Chr. 29-31)

SLIDE 6

Historical Setting

What did the Prophet Micah witness?

- widening income gap between rich and poor (2:2, 8-9)
- crooked politicians (3:1-3, 8-11a; 7:3a)
- devaluing of life (3:10; 7:2)
- phony preachers (3:5-7, 11)
- superstition (5:12)
- misplaced faith (1:7; 5:13-14a)
- business fraud (6:10-12)
- justice for sale (7:3)

THOSE IN DENIAL

"That which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done, so there is nothing new under the sun." (Ec. 1:9)

The Near East at the Time of Micah

From the ESV Study Bible

c. 740 B.C.

Micah prophesied to Israel and Judah during the decades just before the fall of Samaria through the time of King Hezekiah of Judah. Micah witnessed the destruction of Israel by the rising Assyrian empire, yet he probably also witnessed the Lord's dramatic rescue of Jerusalem from the Assyrians during Hezekiah's reign.

