33-Micah-06-Transcript

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[Music] well greetings brethren and welcome back today we are up to uh micah chapter six here on this uh sixth day of the feast of tabernacles that means uh one more day god willing and uh we will have uh march through together this uh seven chapter book of micah as we heard in the overview of micah chapter six really reinforces the reasons why israel or judah specifically is being cursed by god and then when we get into chapter seven tomorrow we're going to finish on a very positive note so let's uh let's jump right in to micah chapter six we'll open with the word of prayer and then begin today's study heavenly father we come before you lord we thank you so much for your blessings upon us thank you so much father for calling us as part of this first fruits community and for teaching us through the observation of your sacred holy days we thank you god for this feast of tabernacles and all the lessons that we have been learning and we praise you father for the scriptures and that we as we go through them line by line we can deepen our understanding and our conviction we praise you lord and ask your blessing in our study now we pray in jesus most holy name amen we are now up to micah chapter six

and it begins now with the lord saying hear you now what jehovah says and he's now speaking to judah he says arise

contend you before the mountains and let the hills hear your voice so uh he's gonna say here he has this controversy with his people and he's saying okay

let's hear what you have to say but don't just tell me

let's make sure that the mountains and the hills

hear what you have to say he goes on in verse 2

so first he speaks to judah saying get up

and state your case but stated before the mountains and the hills and now he says to the mountains hear you o mountains the lord's controversy and use strong foundations of the earth for the lord has a controversy with his people

and he will plead with israel so god wants the mountains and the hills and the foundations of the earth to witness this controversy and he wants judah or israel to state their case and then he's going to state his case before the mountains the hills and the foundations of the earth in psalm 104 speaking of the foundations he says god laid the foundations of the earth that it should not be removed forever so this controversy is going to be in front of the foundations of the earth that god laid forever

and so they better come with their case and it better be ironclad because the foundations have been there from the beginning and they'll be there forever and then he continues in verse 3 of micah 6.

oh my people and you can hear the pain and the anguish oh my people what have i done unto you and we're in have i wearied you testify against me it's almost like this courtroom drama

and

the

defendant is israel and then god is the plaintiff saying i've been injured now now state your case testify against me what did i do uh isaiah again paralleling micah and isaiah

he says how have i wearied you and micah in isaiah 43 22 he says but you have not called upon me o jacob but you have been weary of me o israel and now in my case asking how have i wearied you now listen to moses

in deuteronomy i often go to deuteronomy 30 as sort of the the go-to scripture but we could also go to deuteronomy 4 and in this case where god is having this courtroom drama this courtroom setting

up in front of the mountains and the hills and the foundations of the earth and like testify against me and let's hear what you have to say this actually takes us to deuteronomy 4 a bit more appropriate than deuteronomy 30. he says here in deuteronomy 4 make sure that i'm properly sharing which i am

deuteronomy 4 verse 23 take this is moses that he they have not yet gone into the promised land they're about to go into the promised land moses is not going to go there with them uh and so he's warning

take heed unto yourselves lest you forget the covenant of the lord your god which he made with you and make you a graven image or the likeness of anything which the lord your god has forbidden you for the lord your god is a consuming fire you think of these forest fires and just how quickly they ravage everything this is who god is the lord your god is a consuming fire you god and you're in exclusive covenant with him when you shall beget children and children's children and you shall have remained long in the land and shall corrupt yourselves and make a graven image or the likeness of anything and shall do evil in the sight of the lord your god to provoke him to anger you know there's this about to go into the promised land it's so wonderful so beautiful and moses already sees the corruption and he's warning them you're going to corrupt yourself you're going to do evil in the sight of the lord you're going to provoke him to anger and then he says this speaking of the you know the mountains and the hills all around i call heaven and earth to witness against you this day and you shall soon that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land where unto you go over jordan to possess you shall not prolong your days upon it but shall utterly be destroyed i'm calling heaven and earth against you

and so now god in micah is calling the mountains and the hills and the foundations of the earth and saying to israel testify against me in front of the foundations of the earth because they were there when moses called heaven and earth to witness against you that you shall utterly perish from off the land where unto you go over jordan to possess it you shall not prolong your days upon it but shall utterly be destroyed and the lord shall scatter you among the nations and you shall be left few in number among the heathen where the lord your god shall lead you and micah spoke of this remnant at the end moses saw it so the prophet just amplify and repeat or repeat and amplify moses this is the original prophecy laid down you'll be left there'll be a remnant left among them among the heathen where the lord shall lead you and there you shall serve gods the work of men's hands that's what you wanted god will give you what you want and that's we have to be careful god will give us what we want you know when we in the church get caught up in these social justice movements god will say great i'll give you social justice you called for it you get it i'll give it to you uh undiluted if that's what you want so we get what we want we we get the leadership we deserve and then so here no difference you'll serve the gods you you had a heart for these gods i'll give them to you and there you shall serve gods the work of men's hands wood and stone which neither see

nor hear nor eat nor smell this is ludicrous that the covenant people of god would end up serving these idols that are completely useless but moses said here's the here's the gospel here is the good news here's the gospel the very pattern that we see in micah the the good news is good news in context of hopelessness in context of looks like what looks like certain destruction certain uh calamity the end of israel in this context because of god's faithfulness to his covenant we have good news the good news is sprung or the good news springs from god's covenant faithfulness despite the depravity of israel moses now preaches the gospel but if from there you shall seek jehovah your god you will find him if you seek him with all your heart and with all your soul when you are in tribulation we know the great tribulation is ahead of us now and we have to understand that this great tribulation is upon the heads of job jacob he says when you are in tribulation and all these things are come upon you even in the latter days moses is seeing from his time straight through to the time just ahead of us now that that they're still in israel on the earth and there's still a covenant between god and this israel and god is still acting according to the

clauses in this covenant and moses sees straight through to our time and just just beyond our time right to the return of christ so when you're in tribulation and all these things have come upon you even in the latter days if you turn to the lord your god and shall obey be obedient to his voice which means in order for them to turn to the lord their god it means that somebody is proclaiming the true gospel somebody understands the name of god and despite persecution for the name of god they are declaring the name of god and all that that entails that he is the holy one of israel that he is married to israel that he is in covenant to israel and despite what what men say men under the influence of satan despite what they say someone is saying no that is all false god is faithful to his covenant and he's going to rescue israel and so there's someone telling these people this is what god says this is why this is happening to you you must repent and then they argue there is a remnant that gets this and they repent and they return to god with all their heart and they turn to the lord and they are obedient unto his voice verse 31 for the lord jehovah your god the god of israel is a merciful god he's faithful and that's why the covenant curses have to be activated he's faithful to the covenant but he's merciful

so your god the lord your god is a merciful god he will not forsake you that's why in matthew 24 christ says to his disciples when they're asking him about the end time after he's cursed jerusalem and they're asking him about the end he says don't be deceived don't be deceived and the reason they could be deceived is it jerusalem is going to look god forsaken judah is going to look god forsaken and people are then going to follow the narrative that says okay uh god is in the desert jesus is in the desert and people don't he says don't be deceived i will not forsake judah i will not forsake israel i'm in covenant the lord your god is a merciful god he will not forsake you neither destroy you nor forget the covenant of your fathers this this mika who is like god who is like jehovah who's like this god have you ever have you ever heard or seen or seen evidence of this anywhere where there is a god who covenants himself to his people and despite their complete disregard for the covenant he still regards it and despite their complete debauchery and forsaking him entirely he does not forsake them you know jose he tells the prophet hosea go and marry a prostitute so that the people can understand my relationship with them and my covenant commitment to them despite their prostitution does any because have you ever heard of a god like this who is like god he will not forget the covenant of your fathers which he swore unto them this is what makes him

a god that he's bound he binds himself by his own word

and we need to understand this and we need to declare this

jehovah

is faithful to his covenant

he's faithful to his covenant but look how evil these people are yes we know we know yeah but they're really evil yes we

know we know

we're talking we're not talking about them we're talking about jehovah he is faithful to his covenant and he's made a covenant and he will not forsake it back to micah 6 and verse 4

he says

in pleading with israel

for i brought you up

out of the land of egypt

this is what i did

and i redeemed you out of the house

of servants

and i sent before you moses

aaron and miriam i i did this for you

you were as enslaved you were completely

oppressed

by pharaoh and remember what i did for you and how i established you oh my people he goes further

remember now what balak

king of moab consulted

and what balaam

the son of beor answered him from

shittim unto gilgal

that you may know the righteousness of

the lord so

remember what i did with for you with

moses

but also remember with joshua

and how the king of moab

called this prophet balaam in order to curse you and i intercepted that let's just quickly remember in joshua 24 and verse 9 then balak the son of zippor king of moab arose and ward against israel and that's you know these are just words on the page to us but war is nasty war is terrifying and there are casualties of war so this uh king of mob is warring against israel and then he sent and called balaam the son of beor to curse you

but i would not hearken unto bala therefore he blessed you still so i delivered you out of his hand they could have been crushed by by uh this king of moab balak

and then he wanted this curse on them but balaam ended up blessing israel within it with a mighty blessing that says these people are are going to be redeemed and blessed richly by god and and so god is saying remember all of this

how have i worried you what is it that i've done to you that you're treating me like this

so remember now listen carefully what you're going to say think about it because i've got the mountains i've got the hills and i've got the foundations of the earth that are listening

and they've been here from the beginning they've seen this whole thing from the beginning so state your case what is that i've done to weary you he says

now in micah 6 6 the voice changes and this now seems to be the voice of

judah

as they contemplate god's case so god has stated his case and they seem now to realize they're in the wrong and so they say

wherewith shall i come before the lord and bow myself before the high god so how do we make things right

shall i come before him with burnt offerings

with calves of a year old then what does he want

how do we make this right then will the lord be pleased with thousands of rams

or with ten thousand rivers of oil what does he want and then listen to this shall i give my firstborn for my transgression is that what god wants okay do i take my firstborn and sacrifice him the way the pagans do shall i give my firstborn for my transgression the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul that sounds very poetic even in the english shall i give the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul but they're trying to say like what does this god want you know we see the uh the pagans when they worship their gods and they have to take their their their firstborn or their children and

to uh to moloch and this is what we see like is this like what do we have to do to make it right with god and then the prophet answers he's already shown you oh man he has shown you o man what is good and what does the lord require of you what to do justly

put them in the fire

like stop thinking this is some sort of ritual and as long as you do the ritual exercises you'll be fine he's already shown you what he wants he wants you to do justly and to love mercy

and to walk humbly with your god can you do that because that's what he wants isaiah

says

it's the same dynamic in isaiah he says here in uh chapter 33 and verse 14 the sinners

in zion

are afraid

fearfulness

has surprised the hypocrites so in times of peace and remember micah when he began his prophecy it was in a time of tremendous abundance same with isaiah they're contemporaries and so they're beginning their ministries

before the assyrian invasion and both the north and the south are booming economically

and there's great peace and so we can go through the rituals

of hypocrisy or the rituals covered that cover hypocrisy

when things are good

and this is no different in the church today

in in the time of peace and plenty everybody

can show up for services against everybody can put on a suit and a tie and a dress and and perfume or cologne unfortunately not everybody does not everybody really recognizes that we are coming before a great and majestic king

and so some of us just sort of roll out of bed put on a t-shirt and show up as if who cares who we're coming in front of but we are coming in front of a great king and those of us who have some sense of decorum uh we might be able to put on a suit and a tie in a fancy dress whatever the case is and just go through the rituals and in a time of peace and plenty sure

and in a time of peace and plenty sure everybody can do that

but when the crisis suddenly strikes fearfulness surprises the hypocrites and now the substance that we thought was there it's not there and christ foretells

that brother shall betray brother when when this fearfulness surprises them and and it's like job actually says to god sorry satan says to god of job does job fear you for nothing you know stretch forth your hand and touch his flesh

and he'll curse you to your face and pastor murray in his sermon yesterday uh is exegeting the passage

where paul says if if anyone loved not the lord jesus christ let him be anathema maranatha so he explained that and just showed us how yeah we say we love god

but god isn't here his body is here and if a man say he love god and hate his brother he's a liar

and so

when when fearfulness suddenly surprises us

and we we've been pretending to love god but we really don't now we're going to betray our brother and christ foretells this that brother shall betray brother so so um

paul says if if any love not the lord

jesus let him be anathema and so this fearfulness has surprised the hypocrites as it was anciently so it is today but he says here the sinners in zion are afraid fearfulness has surprised the hypocrites and then it's like the people are asking who among us now that he's kind of saying this is what's coming and who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire remember moses said that god is our god is a consuming fire now they're realizing this and saying well who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings like how do we survive then what's the answer and then the prophet answers similar to micah he that walks righteously and speaks uprightly he that despises the gain of oppressions that shakes his hands from holding of bribes that stops his ears from hearing of blood and shuts his eyes from seeing evil and we need to be doing that today it's the same god it's the same covenant and it's the same arrangement god is looking for you think people are going to be in the millennium uh representing god doing any of these things he says he that's the person

he that's the person
that shall dwell on high
his place of defense
shall be the munitions of rocks
bread shall be given him
his waters shall be sure
so we see this parallel between isaiah
and micah back to isaiah my god back to

micah verse 9 chapter 6
the lord's voice
cries unto the city
so there's no excuse now
god himself is speaking to the whole
city
so everybody can bear

so everybody can hear the lord's voice cries into the city and the man of wisdom shall see your name there it is again and so we know in matthew 24 for his name's sake the true preachers of the gospel will be persecuted

and so the name is going to be published and the man of wisdom shall see your name

hear you the rod and who has appointed it and we know the rod the rod of his anger is assyria so this punishment that's coming listen to it

i just want to read a little bit from pr as soon as i read this as a young man couldn't really understand the bible but i read proverbs and i could make sense out of the proverbs and and the poetry of the proverbs just kind of stuck in the back of my head and as soon as i read this i immediately thought of the proverbs of crying in the city he says here proverbs 1 and verse 20 wisdom cries without

she utters her voice in the streets she cries in the chief place of concourse

in the openings of the gates in the city she utters her words so god is speaking into the city and and making sure that in the busiest places his word is pronounced

she utters in the city she utters her word saying

how long

you simple ones will you love simplicity

and the scorners delight in their scorning

and fools hate knowledge it's like the the king is scratching his head and saying

how long are you gonna do this like do you think this goes on forever and we can look at our society today and we're scratching our head as well and saying

do they really think they can get away with this

do they really believe that this can go on forever

how long

and then he says

turn you at my reproof

behold

i will pour out my spirit unto you i will make known my words unto you so that's gonna it's gonna be made known through those who have the spirit because i have called

and you refused

i have stretched out my hand

and no man regarded

but you have said that nothing all my counsel so we understand the whole council of god especially as we understand the seven chapters of micah but they've said it at nothing ah that's nothing

you said it not all my counsel and would have none of my reproof

i also will laugh at your calamity

i will mock

when your fear comes fearfulness has surprised the hypocrites and god says i will mock

when your fear comes

when your fear comes as desolation and your destruction comes as a

whirlwind

remember they were in a time of great

abundance when micah and isaiah started to prophesy

they were the micah and isaiah are pre-exiled prophets

and we are today in that same pre-exilic phase

everything is pretty good even though we see it collapsing

we see how this administration every decision in the last nine months and i put this challenge out there nobody has emailed me yet i'll put it

out again today does anybody know

of any decision

that this administration has made in the white house

that has been to the benefit of america what decision have they made in nine months that strengthens america and blesses the american people because i haven't seen it and nobody has emailed me

the previous administration decision after decision after decision was to bless the american people and yeah that that that president was flawed of course he's human he was very flawed but he wasn't evil

and this administration is evil and i saw somebody post on the chat a couple of days ago we were doing the study yeah president trump is a loser quite a loser have you have you looked at his accomplishments

despite all of the

aggression

and hostility against him his list of accomplishments is epic

just if you remove names and you just put list of accomplishments

of all the presidents of the united states

this one might be the greatest president

since george washington maybe abraham lincoln and he's a loser compared to this administration which has immersed itself in pure evil just just now even if you just look at the abortion anything goes now with abortion this is evil

so this destruction is coming on this evil

not just upon judah but also on the house of israel

when your fear comes as desolation and your destruction comes as a whirlwind when distress and anguish come upon you

then shall they call upon me that you know

911 you know on 9 12 the churches were filled

it was like all of a sudden everybody wanted to turn to god and to open up the book of revelation and what's happening you get phone calls from people is this the end

okay that's we're going to see that pattern again that's when they'll call upon me

but i will not answer isaiah says that the god of jacob hides his face from iacob

micah says i'll see what their end shall be

they shall call that's when they'll call upon me

but i will not answer they shall seek me early but they shall not find me for that they hated knowledge not just not knowledge like although they seem to hate just regular knowledge now yeah

mathematics is racist follow the science and they're completely unscientific science is about contrast and uh debate and getting to the truth and forming a hypothesis and then tearing it down that's science now they hate science follow the science means follow the scientists that we appoint and don't have an opposing opinion so they do hate knowledge generally but what this means is god's knowledge the knowledge of god they hate it they don't want to hear it they're doing everything they can to remove it and stamp it out of society so okay that's that's the path you've chosen that's the path you've chosen for all of us social justice warriors if there are any left among us uh you helped enable this this this is on your uh this is blood on your hands for that they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the lord no you chose social justice you didn't choose the fear of the lord you chose criminals and evil people and you held them up as righteous and you didn't choose the fear of the lord they would have none of my counsel they despised all of my reproofs you couldn't correct them okay god says therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way and be filled with their own devices so what comes upon you you've actually brought it upon yourself you you were unable to connect the dots

and to see where all of this was leading therefore shall they eat the fruit of their own way and be filled with their own devices that's where god says you know what i will withdraw they don't want me i will withdraw and i will see what their end shall be how will it fare for how will they fare when they are filled with their own devices back to micah 6 and verse 10.

so after all this they want how do we make it right with god what does he want what's what sacrifices what ritual do we do we uh engage in that will satisfy him no he doesn't want ritual he wants a relationship and this is what he's looking for and now god asks through the prophet are there yet

the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked despite all these warnings they still have treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked and the scant measure that is abominable they're not being fair in their practices their business practices their commerce

shall i count them pure with the wicked bounces is that so they're coming to me oh we want to be righteous

well why is there still wicked balances and with the bag of deceitful weights again back to proverbs 16 verse 11 a just weight and balance are the lords all the weights of the bag are his work

all the weights of the bag are his work he loves when people engage in fair and ethical business practices commerce is good as long as it's done fairly and here these people are wicked and yet they're coming before the lord verse 12 micah 6

for the rich men thereof are full of violence

when you see these people today in our society

you know they used

the free market system

to become incredibly wealthy that's how the free market works bring something of value and people will pay you accordingly and if you don't do well someone else will come along and do it

better and the market will reward them and you look at a business like google

perhaps the most

successful business the world has ever seen

certainly one off in such a short space of time

well they just came along and did something better than everybody else and continued to do that and the market rewarded them

now that they've achieved this high

level of success

they know that in a free market

they can be toppled

someone else can come along and say oh

there's a better way there's the market

is shifting there's a new opportunity

here and they can be

toppled this is the way the free market

works

in order to preserve and protect their wealth now in their position they have now pivoted

from free market

to socialism

they now totally support offset communism because that now locks them in

as the one provider

and that's the government state a

sponsored provider

and everyone else is now held at bay or eliminate this whole uh pandemic and the economic lockdowns is destroying small business

destroying family business

so that at the end of this shakedown

lockdown

the only thing that's left

is the government

powerful government

and the powerful

business entities that are in collusion

with the government

and and we god says i'll lead you to

your own devices

so these rich men

are full of violence

they are destroying people's lives

and they know

and they don't care

the amount of suicide you are teen

suicides as a result of these lockdowns

they don't care they're after money

and these lockdowns

during these uh lockdowns

these companies have tripled their

profits

the big tech the pharmaceuticals the

costco's of the world the amazons of the

world

their profits have skyrocketed

on pain

suicidal pain

of small of small business and

families

they don't care

the rich men thereof are full of

violence

and the inhabitants thereof have spoken

lies

and their tongue is deceitful in their

mouth and this i just

i'm exasperated by the deception everybody is lying they're on the tv

whatever the news uh media legacy media is and they're being interviewed and they're lying and then two weeks later it's exposed and nobody cares it's like it's it's the noble lie dr fauci i was lying to you for your own good you know the only reason i was telling you not to uh wear masks was i just i needed to make sure that there'd be enough masks for the health care staff so i was lying to you for your own good but now that you know that i'm a liar believe me when i tell you to do this i'm a hardened current president his whole you study his career he just says whatever expedient study his career i you know i've seen an interview and again i'm not donald trump is a flawed man and yeah there is a an element where we don't have his tweets anymore and there is an element of relief from that but i'd rather his tweets than knowing today that children are being trafficked that this open border under this administration is allowing children to be raped indefinitely added raped to death and trafficked and raped to death you're going to choose that over some inconvenient tweets that children today can be aborted up to any any age you're going to choose that that we're going to drive the just keep printing money and drive inflation up to destroy the economy and there'll be suicide all over we're going to choose that

weaken the military

so that the next major confrontation we have with china or the middle east we just have to back down that nobody will will be our allies because we're not trusted you're going to choose that this is the world we we live in and i was looking at a an interview in the 1970s with donald trump and i was shocked because everything he was saying in the 1970s

is what he ran on as the president and it's what he was delivering as the president he just never changed and then i was looking at some past interviews

with president biden and like every decade he's saying something different in fact not just something different he's saying the exact opposite

it's like you just say whatever and especially as a black man pardon me but i have to laugh at black people who voted for this man i don't know if there's a more racist politician in america than joe biden and they ran to him like their savior it just

boggles the mind
their tongue is deceitful god hates that
he says in revelation
that he's going to take all liars no
exceptions he's going to take all liars
and throw them in the lake of fire
what a world where i just the world
we're going to live in is a world where
somebody looks you in the eye and they
say something to you
and nobody blinks
it's like that came out of that human
being's mouth therefore it's true

there will never be a time where somebody actually says something and you're wondering is that person being honest well you'll never hear the statement sometimes you hear people say well to be honest

what you mean you were being dishonest before well to tell you the truth you weren't telling the truth before these words these these phrases will be eliminated

and people will just speak and what comes out of their mouth will be true

but today especially weak people they will just do things that are not true

but here

deception is rampant and i'm just sorry to uh rant on about this a bit but i'm jus

rant on about this a bit but i'm just stunned

at how deceitful human beings are today and people expect it it's okay they know that this person's a liar but they continue to advocate for them their tongue is deceitful in their mouth

because of this

he says

therefore also

will i make you sick

in smiting you this is deuteronomic curse

this is not god doing something out of the ordinary this is god doing exactly what he said he would do to the people who are in covenant with him in making you desolate because of your sins

you shall eat

but not be satisfied and that's you know kind of we're heading there now in the west where they want to take all meat

consumption away from us meat is bad humans are bad humans are spoiling the environment the greatest god the greatest good is the environment and human beings are despicable polluting machines and therefore they must be eliminated and their activities must be curtailed that's the ethic that's uh the ideology that that's prominent today versus the christian ideology which used to be predominant that said human beings are an extremely special creation of god they're his most they're his most special creation because they are made in his image and likeness therefore the human being has rights and privileges and benefits that are inalienable inalienable they are granted to him by his creator and therefore cannot be removed by anybody versus today where we don't believe in god and any freedom or privilege or benefit that you have it is the state that has granted that to you and therefore it is the state that can remove that from you i was listening to an interview the other day by uh with george bernard shaw he's a was a fabian socialist and he was saying that this the world system needs to be set up in such a way that every human being needs to come before a court and justify their existence they need this to be like a balance sheet to show how much they have consumed in the year and how much they

have produced and if what they have consumed exceeds what they have produced they they need to justify their existence and if they can't they need to be eliminated that is the ideology of these fabian socialists and that is where we're heading and so why should you eat meat that just produces more carbon instead you will eat bugs and you will drink sewage and when that's bill gates is just all about this buying up all the farmland and and the the surf class the slaves will eat bugs that's where we're heading oh meat meat is a terrible thing we all have to be vegetarian well when christ returns isaiah 25 he's putting on a party for the whole world and he's going to serve the best meats the best meat and the best wine god created these things for men he says here you shall eat but not be satisfied and your casting down shall be in the midst of you you're going to see this firsthand you have a front row seat to your destruction and you shall take hold but shall not deliver and that which you sh which you deliver will i give up to the swords you're going to do your best to try to save yourself but even then the sword is going to come in and wipe out whatever's left isaiah says it this way fear and the pit and the snare are upon you o inhabitant of the land

and it shall come to pass
that he who flees
from the noise of the fear shall fall
into the pit so mike is saying the same
thing that when this destruction comes
upon you and even those that run and try
to escape that the sword will take them
down

and he that comes up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare for the windows from on high are open and the foundations of the earth do shake

the earth is utterly broken down the earth is clean dissolved the earth is moved exceedingly the earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard and shall be removed like a cottage and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it and it shall fall and not rise again god is going to come and shake terribly the earth and there will

period

be no escape

and micah says that he's going to put a destruction on the necks of his people that they cannot escape

verse 15

you shall sow

but you shall not reap

you shall tread the olives

but you shall not anoint you with oil

when i read this

i just immediately think of

the 7th century

when the arabs under muhammad came in and just destroyed the jews and took everything away from them and then enslaved them and the jews were really great farmers and had wonderful olive trees beautiful they were just kind of known for their olive trees so the muslims didn't want to completely destroy them

because they didn't know how to farm the way the jews did so they kept them as slaves and the jews had to to continue to farm the olives but hand them all over to the muhammadans this that was just a foretaste of what's coming you shall sow but you shall so they had to do all the work but they couldn't reap the reward they had to reap and give it to the muhammadans you shall sow but you shall not reap you shall tread the olives but you shall not anoint you with oil you're not doing it for your own benefit and sweet wine but shall not drink wine for the statutes of omri are kept now omri was an evil evil king of israel but here he's addressing judah but he says to judah that for the statutes of amri are kept and all the works of the house of ahab and you walk in their councils you just continue in this evil that i should make you a desolation and the inhabitants thereof are hissing therefore you shall bear the reproach of my people so this relationship with omri and judah in first kings 16 but omri verse 25 but umri wrought evil in the eyes of the lord and did worse than all that were before him that's omri now in second kings 8 and verse 26 how does this come into judah

2 and 20 years old was ahaziyah when he began to reign and he reigned one year in jerusalem and his mother's name was athalia the daughter of omri king of israel so these are very they're as thick as thieves and this is how then the evil among ray comes in to judah

so that brethren is micah chapter 6 and it what's left for us to cover now is micah chapter 7 which is the conclusion of the book starts off with some more bad news unfortunately but ends with wonderful news wonderful good news and again if you missed the overview that i did of the book of micah the gospel according to micah that is in the archive please view that because it explains the structure of the book and why there is so much bad news in this book but really it's a it's a book of good news and it's just micah is making it very very clear what the good news is and why it's so good because if it weren't who is like who is like jehovah if it were not for the fact that god is faithful to his covenant there would be no hope but because of his faithfulness there is tremendous good news and tremendous hope and god willing that's what we'll cover tomorrow when we finish with this book of micah with chapter seven thanks for joining today god bless have a wonderful sixth day of the feast and god willing we'll see you tomorrow you