

33-Micah-05-Transcript

[Music]

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well greetings brethren and welcome back
today we're up to micah chapter five as
we're on day five of the feast of
tabernacles

hopefully you were with us last night

uh last night at 7 30 pm

we covered the whole book of micah and i
covered uh slightly different content
that i'm covering in this series that
we're doing daily because we looked at
the whole book and the structure of the
book

if you happen to miss that

can i encourage you to go into the
archive and make sure that you study
that because it just sort of pulls the
whole

book together and you'll understand the
structure of the book today we're up to
uh micah chapter 5

and let's open with the word of prayer
and then we can dive right in
our heavenly father again we come before
you lord

very very grateful lord

for your mercy for your loving kindness
for your commitment to your covenant
your commitment to your people
and we just want to thank you father on
this fifth day of the feast

for

pulling us out of this world

for giving us an understanding of your
counsel

and giving us a part in this plan

we pray father that we would better
understand and appreciate our part

in in this great plan of yours

and that we would deepen our
understanding of your plan

and our conviction
we praise you lord god almighty and we
thank you and we ask your blessing on
our understanding and our study now in
jesus name's holy name
amen

uh micah chapter five
we'll just continue here
so we're in the midst of the good news
and there's just a little uh context for
this good news and again i spoke about
this context for the good news
god really wants his people to
understand the state that they've fallen
into so that they can appreciate his
mercy when he acts in loving kindness
micah 5 and verse 1 he says now gather
yourself in troops oh daughter of troops
so this is uh you know gather yourself
in in sort of this uh battle array
oh oh daughter of soldiers of this is um
kind of pointing to uh israel's or judas
how should i say their their departure
from god and just depending on
themselves and and and doing that in a
way that is not biblical as against the
torah so

now you need to prepare
he has laid siege against us and micah
includes himself in this he being the
assyrian has laid siege against us so
not now they're in trouble
they shall smite the judge of israel and
this is referring to the king of judah
with a rod upon the cheek so the king of
judah will be thoroughly humiliated
and god says this is the deuteronomic
curse god says the lord shall bring a
nation against you from far this is the
curse of disobeying the covenant from
the end of the earth as swift as the
eagle flies a nation whose tongue thou
shalt not understand and that's what's
happening

in the midst of all of this
micah has tremendously good news
here is this good news
but you and this is a verse that we're
quite familiar with i think it's on
every christmas card or most christmas
cards back when they used to observe
when they were christians observing
christian christmas he says but you
bethlehem ephrathah
though you be little among the thousands
of judah yet out of you shall come forth
unto me
that is to be ruler in israel
who is going forth who is going forth
have been from old from everlasting so
if his goings forth have been from a
bold from everlasting this is referring
to god
god is going to come out of bethlehem
ephrata
now
judah's rulers
have led her astray
but this is god who is going to be ruler
in israel now this bethlehem ephrathah why
is it significant
in genesis 48 and verse 7
jacob says and as for me
when i came from padan
rachel died by me in the land of canaan
in the way
when yet there was but a little way to
come to
ephrath
and i buried her there in the way of
ephrath
the same is bethlehem so rachel was
buried in bethlehem
and then in
1st
samuel 17 so she was buried in bethlehem
of judah
in 1st samuel 17 and verse 12

now david
was the son of that ephrathite of
bethlehem judah
whose name was jesse
so rachel died in bethlehem judah and
was buried there
and
david was born of jesse
who was an ephrathite from bethlehem
judah
and he had eight sons and the man went
among
men for an old man in the days of saul
so
the significance of bethlehem
judah ephrathah
was that
david was born there
and that's where rachel was buried now
this is quoted in the in the gospel
according to matthew
verse 3 of matthew 2
when herod the king had heard these
things he was troubled
and all jerusalem with him
and when he had gathered all the chief
priests and scribes of the people
together he demanded of them
where the messiah should be born
and they said unto him in bethlehem
judah for thus it is written by the
prophet the prophet being meka micah
that we just read so this was written
they understood this is amazing right
micah because this is before the
assyrian siege
so that the assyrians crushed samaria in
721 bc and then attacked jude i believe
in 701 bc so
micah's prophecy predates 721 bc so some
700 plus years before christ was born
micah prophesied that he would be born
in bethlehem judah this is a phenomena
and

they said to herod in bethlehem judah
for thus it is written by the prophet
and you bethlehem in the land of judah
are not the least among the princes of
judah for out of you shall come a
governor that shall rule my people
israel now in john 7 and verse 41 the
significance of where christ was born is
raised again in the gospel according to
john verse 41 of chapter 7 others said
this is the messiah
but some said they were they were they
were knowledgeable of the scriptures so
they were saying this is the messiah but
others said shall the messiah come out
of galilee that doesn't make any sense
hasn't the scripture said so they all
believe that he came out of galilee and
and the others are disputing this can't
be the messiah would the messiah come
out of galilee hasn't the scripture said
that christ comes of the seed of david
and out of the town of bethlehem where
david was so when it says the scripture
says
that the messiah is to come out of the
town of bethlehem they're referring to
the scroll of micah
now and and uh when it says the
of the seed of david this is clearly
from when we've read that in isaiah
now
back to micah chapter 5
so this glorious prophecy that all of
this salvation
is going to be made possible because god
is going to come out of bethlehem judah
verse 3 micah 5
therefore will he give them up
them being judah
until the time that she which travails
has brought forth
then the remnants of his brethren shall
return unto the children of israel so

this sense of her travailing can be dual
it's uh it can be he's going to give
them up until christ is born
of mary
but also
you'll give them up in sort of the
ultimate fulfillment when the nation of
zion gives birth
to her children and the nation of israel
is truly born of god
so isaiah speaks of this in isaiah 66
and verse 7
he says before she travailed she brought
forth
before her pain came
she was delivered of a man-child
so there isaiah speaks of mary or really
judah
isaiah 9 verse 6 unto us son is born
the tribe of judah being the one
acknowledging that the messiah is born
to them so judah is the one that is
travailing but specifically it's in mary
that she brought forth before her pain
came she was deliberate of a man child
and then immediately in verse 8 he says
the other side of it
who has heard such a thing who has seen
such things
shall the earth be made to bring forth
in one day
or shall a nation be born at once
for as soon as zion travailed matthew 24
all these the beginning of
sorrows so zion has to go through these
birth pangs
but as soon as she from god's
perspective
you know three and a half years is not a
long time to an eternal god for as soon
as zion travailed she brought forth her
children
back to micah verse 5 verse 4
and he shall stand and feed in the

strength of the lord
in the majesty
of the name of the lord his god this is
what messiah will do and they shall
abide this is what judah will do
judah will be safe
every man under his vine with his fig
tree
none shall make them afraid because of
messiah and they shall abide
for now shall he be great unto the ends
of the earth and micah told us he's
going to rebuke st mighty nations from
afar off
and so judah will be safe
and this man
shall be the peace
this messiah this is how peace will come
to judah it's not through all of these
negotiations and trying to set up this
peace in the middle east that's not how
it's going to come
how it's going to come is from this man
this man this
this this god being who became a man and
who will be on the earth with judah and
this man shall be the peace
when will he be the peace
when the assyrian shall come into our
land
and this assyrian of the assyrians
obviously crushed samaria and they
crushed judah as well but isaiah tells
us that it will not be a full end when
assyria crushed
judah and they would then be crushed and
taken away by the babylonians some
couple of hundred years later
now
when the so he'll be the peace when the
assyrian shall come into our land this
is clearly in this prophecy
going beyond
you know 586 bc in in um

isaiah in micah's immediate prophecy or fulfillment of prophecy uh so they're seven
sorry 701 bc is when the assyrian came into their land this is clearly going beyond that
because this is when christ brings the peace
so the assyrian came into the land and then the babylonians came you know 150 or so years later
and this so there wasn't eternal peace for god's people then so mike is pointing to another time
christ said he came to fulfill the prophets to fill it to the full
so the great tribulation is when this prophecy will be filled up to the full and so the assyrian will be back
and he will come into the land this is the king of the north this is the assyrian is north of their land
and he will come in and when he shall tread in our palaces
so this is this is what's going to happen and then this man shall be the peace
this man this messiah will be the peace but when the assyrian comes into our land and does this and treads in our palaces and sets up the abomination that makes desolate then
shall we raise against him
seven shepherds and eight principal men not sure exactly what this means but clearly
micah sees a time when judah participates in their own salvation
that god is going to empower them to push back against the assyrian
and we see this in zechariah's prophecy

he says in zechariah 12 6 in that day
the same end time will i make the
governors of judah like a hearth of fire
among the wood they will be unstoppable
and the wood being the heathen and like
a torch of fire in a sheaf
and they shall devour they judah shall
devour all the people round about so he
will be our peace but he's going to
empower them to put down their enemies
on the right hand and on the left and
jerusalem shall be inhabited again in
her own place even in jerusalem so as
much as messiah is coming to save them
part of that means he's going to empower
them to push back against their enemies
and re-establish jerusalem
continuing in micah 5 6
and they shall lay waste and they shall
waste
the land of assyria with the sword they
being judah
judah will do this
that that they will and so clearly this
didn't happen
in 701 bc so micah this prophecy is
pointing to the time just before us
and they shall
waste the land of assyria
they're going to completely waste this
land with the sword which is by the way
an islamic land
and that hates judah that judah is going
to be able to push back against
successfully eventually when christ
returns and they shall waste the land of
assyria with the sword and in case we're
confused about where the land of assyria
is micah goes on to make it clear in
this end time they shall waste the land
of assyria with the sword and the land
of nimrod in the entrances thereof so
the way the hebrews speak they'll say
something and then they'll say it again

to clarify it so really reinforce it
sometimes they might say it's contradict
but so that's sort of the parallel but
in this case they're reinforcing they
shall waste the land of assyria with the
sword and the land of nimrod in the
entrances thereof so we know the land of
nimrod is iraq
iraq and that's part of this babylonian
empire that that assyria had taken took
control of that assyria has this whole
land so today
we expect turkey to take control of iraq
part of iran
uh part of syria but all of that is the
ancient land of assyria
thus this is how
messiah
shall deliver us from the assyrian this
is the antichrist
this is how messiah will deliver us from
the antichrist
when he comes into our land and when he
treads within our borders
isaiah says the same thing in isaiah 10
verse 5 he says o assyrian the rod of my
anger
so the assyrian as powerful as this this
empire is going to be
god enables it because it is the rod of
his anger it's how he carries out his
punishment of his people
and the staff in their hand
is my indignation god has indignation
with his people and all of the military
power of this empire is represents god's
indignation
against his people so again this 85
billion dollar gift to the taliban this
is the this is the the indignation of
god
he's taking it away from the nations of
israel and empowering
these people

as many of whom are literal descendants
of the assyrian people but all of this
is going to be taken over by the
assyrian and this is all the indignation
of god in verse 12 he says therefore it
shall come to pass
that when the lord has performed his
whole work upon mount zion and on
jerusalem
habakkuk
refers to this as his work
his strange work
this is a strange work that god is doing
that people don't understand what god is
doing but we understand that god is
performing his whole work
upon mount zion and on jerusalem and the
reason we understand is because mooses
tells us what this work is
isaiah tells us what this work is
that they must be blinded
until they are punished thoroughly
so that they can come to true repentance
this is the strange work that god is
going to use gentile peoples
to create
the jewel of judah
the prize of judah will actually be
created through gentile nations this is
god's strange work
therefore shall come to pass
that when the lord has performed his
whole work
upon mount zion and on jerusalem
i will punish the fruit of the stout
heart of the king of assyria in isaiah
40
verses 1 to 3 how second isaiah begins
he begins saying speaking to the people
of god who have the holy spirit who
understand the gospel he instructs us
comfort you
comfort you my people
comfort my people and tell them that

tell jerusalem that her warfare has
ended
because god has
meted out her punishment
and he says in another place say unto
the cities of judah behold your god
somebody understands this
somebody understands what's going on in
the earth and specifically in the
theater of the middle east
and is able to commentate and narrate
the events accurately
and bring the scriptures to life
precisely
so that these people can say this is
this is true we never understood these
scriptures but these people are these
people are gentiles and they're telling
us
helping us understand our scriptures
and they come to repentance as a result
so
we
we must understand what is this work
that god is doing upon upon mount zion
and jerusalem once it's done
we can we can comfort her because now
god is going to turn as mores said and
take all these curses and put them on
your enemies
deuteronomy 30 i believe verse 7
i will punish that once once this work
is done and i get the fruit out of zion
in jerusalem i will punish the fruit of
the stout heart of the king of assyria
and the glory of his high looks all of
this is end time
this is done by god right before or as
christ returns
back to micah 5 and verse 7.
so when all of this happens in the end
time
and the remnant of jacob
shall be in the midst of many people

as a due from the lord all these people
who are fighting against jacob this
great tribulation which is the time of
jacob's trouble jacob is is just
targeted targeted targeted
but when christ returns
the remnant that's left from all of this
warfare and destruction there will be a
remnant that's saved
that remnant will be in the midst of
many people
as a due from the lord as a blessing to
these people
as the showers upon the grass
that that tarries not for man nor waits
for the sons of men so there's nothing
the sons of men have nothing to do with
this
the dew comes when it comes the rain
falls when it falls and all of this is
the blessing of god
and men's wishes and desires and efforts
notwithstanding
isaiah says in isaiah 66 verse 19
regarding this remnant of jacob and i
will set a sign among them
and i will send those that escape of
them
unto the nations this is what god is
going to do with the remnant of jacob
i'll send them to the nation so he says
that here in micah says that jacob shall
be in the midst of many people as a
blessing from heaven
here isaiah says
he will send those that escape of jacob
unto the nations to tarshish pool and
lud
that draw the bow to tubal and javan
to the isles are far off all of these
that have hated jacob god is now going
to send the remnant that's left to these
nations
that have not heard my fame

neither have seen my glory
and they this remnant of jacob shall
declare my glory among the gentiles they
will be a blessing among the gentiles
that hated them
and they shall bring all your brethren
for an offering unto the lord out of all
nations upon horses and in chariots
and in litters and upon mules and upon
swift beasts to my holy mountain
jerusalem says the lord as the children
of israel bring an offering and a clean
vessel into the house of the lord
and i will also take of them for priests
and for levites says the lord
these physical human beings
this remnant of jacob
they're going to be established as a
kingdom of priests
on the earth
and human beings will see their fellow
human beings as a source of knowledge
of the god of israel
this is this is what's happening on the
earth we the first fruits are up above
this overseeing this operation with
christ
what a glory to be first firstfruits
verse 22
for as the new heavens
and the new earth which i will make
shall remain before me says the lord
so shall your seed jacob
and your name remain
as much as the gentiles have done
everything they can
under the guidance of the devil
to destroy completely judah and to
destroy completely the nations of israel
god says unless those days should be
shortened
no flesh
of the
covenant people would be saved alive but

for the elect's sake that is the
covenant people i will shorten these
days because there will be a remnant and
as as the new heavens and the new earth
which i will make shall remain before me
says the lord so shall the seed of jacob
and the name of jacob
remain forever
and it shall come to pass
that from one new moon to another and
from one sabbath to another shall all
flesh come to worship before being says
the lord
and and this uh this remnant of jacob
will be a blessing to all this flesh
that comes to understand the glory of
the god of israel verse 8 of michael 5
and the remnant of jacob
shall be among the gentiles
in the midst of many people
many
overwhelming number of people
and this small remnant of jacob
will be among the gentiles in the midst
of many people as a lion among the
beasts of the forest
as a young lion among the flocks of
sheep you can just a lion just has its
young
energetic hungry lion just has its way
with the flocks of the sheep this is
micah's prophecy and his vision
of what's going to happen
with the remnant of jacob coming through
this great tribulation
how will they end what's their end they
will be like a young lion among the
flocks of sheep who if
he go through
both treads down and tears in pieces and
none can deliver this is the power that
is promised to the remnant of jacob
zechariah says verse 8 of 12
in that day shall the lord defend the

inhabitants of jerusalem remember
jerusalem is going to be surrounded by
armies by all these gentiles but in that
day shall the lord defend the
inhabitants of jerusalem and he that is
feeble among them the weakest among them
the injured among them
at that day
shall be as david
david was this mighty warrior
and even the most feeble and and lame
jew
will be like david
and the house of david shall be as god
wow am i reading did i just did we just
read that together
that in this end time after this
tremendous tribulation
this remnant that's left the house of
david shall be as god
as the angel of the lord before them
like a young lion having its way
that god is going to empower them
supernaturally
now
verse 9 of micah 5
your hand
shall be lifted up upon your adversaries
and all your enemies shall be cut off
this is good news
this is the u.n galleon good tidings
good tidings come from the battlefield
and this is the good news
that god's people that god will be
triumphant over his enemies
and judah will be triumphant
over god's enemies
this is this is the gospel according to
micah
he goes on now in verse 10.
not so good news now he returns to the
covenant curses
on these people
so that is the ultimate good news and

that's really the centerpiece of his
message
but he wants to warn them and the reason
we can appreciate
the good news so much and so deeply
is because it's in the context of
horrendous news
and it's in the context of news that is
so bad there is no escape
nobody can escape this
and that's why we appreciate the good
news so much when god swoops in to save
yesha yahoo
god saves
saves who saves his people his covenant
people
so here he returns to the covenant
curses he says in micah 5 and verse 10
and it shall come to pass in that day so
this is really preceding what we just
read says the lord that i will cut off
your horses out of the midst of thee
and i will destroy your chariots
so all of your military might that
you've depended on
i'm going to destroy it i'm going to cut
it off
and again we had a glimpse of that when
the
democrats uh in their bill cut a billion
dollars in funding
to israel's iron dome which is a
completely very phenomenal defensive uh
technology just cut a billion dollars
out
fortunately a democrat said we can't do
this and wrote an emergency bill
to congress to say we have to fund we
can't this is our ally we can't do this
and so they managed to reinstate that
funding but that's just a glimpse of
what's coming this anti-semitism
which when i was in high school there
was no hint of any anti-semitism

anywhere you just like never again never
again was the whole thing today we're
seeing increasing anti-semitism
jews can't live in europe they've all i
think they've all fled france by now
they there's just so much anti-semitism
growing
and these movements these social justice
movements are all empowering this
anti-semitism so
that little hint that was put down of
cutting the the
apparently um uh uh
ortega artezio cortez alexandria artezio
cortez apparently when the funding was
reinstated she broke down crying in the
congress hysterical hysterical that the
funding has been been reinstated
can you believe this
but she's not crying over what all of
the
misery
on the southern border
haitian women being raped and children
being raped left right and center where
is she now why doesn't she go down to
the border with hysteria there
because she doesn't care
it's all about power
but that's just a glimpse as i was
saying this cutting off
that billion dollar funding to allow
this phenomenal defense mechanism
uh god is saying he's gonna cut it off
that's where it's going
i will cut off your horses out of the
midst of me and i will destroy your
chariots you you they feel they're
independent they feel they don't need
god god is going to take them to a place
where they've got nothing
nothing nobody no allies everybody's
betrayed her the only thing she has now
the only thing she has is the defense of

misawa and that's where she has to come
just as she says blessed is he who comes
in the name of the lord isaiah says this
reflecting what micah the sentiment in
micah in chapter 2 verse 6
this he says therefore you have forsaken
your people the house of jacob why did
he forsake them because they be
replenished from the east
and are soothsayers like the philistines
and they please themselves in the
children of strangers so they don't
depend on god they have found ways and
means to get on without god
their land also is full of silver and
gold
neither is there any end of their
treasure so they're doing really well
and when micah was prophesying the
economy was very strong
and so they don't think they need god
their land also is full of horses
neither is there any end of their
chariot so lots of military power isaiah
says
their land also is full of idols they
worship the work of their own hands i
mean that iron dome that's some pretty
fascinating technology as rockets try to
come into israel they're just
intercepted and blown up in the air and
then the people are safe
that's pretty phenomenal
but isaiah says their land is full of
idols they worship the work of their own
hands
that which their own fingers have made
that he said i said no we're interested
in worshipping god we want to praise
themselves of how clever they are
isaiah micah says
verse 11
and i will cut off the cities of your
land

and throw down all your strongholds
god is doing this on the one hand he's
going to make judah
as like a lion among the sheep
and judah is going to be empowered but
that's going to come from god
after
he takes all their power away from them
and allows the gentiles to completely
have their way
that judah and
israel
finally acknowledge
without god we are doomed
and then somebody's preaching the true
gospel to them so they come to
understand we've got to turn to god and
then they turn with their whole heart as
moses prophesied
but god is working but he's doing
this this
until he's completed his whole work upon
zion
that he will not he will not crush the
assyrian
until the assyrian the assyrian has
helped him perform his work on zion and
on jerusalem and i will cut off the
cities of your land and throw down all
your strongholds
and i will cut off witchcrafts out of
your hand
and you shall have no more stoothsavers
so this is how god sees what's going on
with these people your graven images
also will i cut off
and you're standing images out of the
midst of you
and you shall no more worship the work
of your hand so micah says they're
worshiping the work of their hands
isaiah says micah says
god's going to bring them to a point
where they're going to stop doing that

and that's why he's allowing
the assyrian and the gentiles to have
their way with them verse 14 and i will
pluck up your groves out of the midst of
you

so will i destroy your cities this is
how i will destroy your cities and
isaiah asked god

how long do i preach to them and they
have no clue what i'm saying
and god says until until the cities of
judah are destroyed

and so god is doing this he's destroying
the cities and this is going to break
them up break them out of their stupor
and allow them to finally acknowledge
jesus christ as lord

final verse here in micah 5

and i will execute vengeance in anger
and fury upon the heathen so
god is going to perform his strange work
upon judah but once it's done
then he's going to execute vengeance in
anger and fury upon the heath and mooses
said this this is exactly what mooses
said we see this in torah we see micah
amplifying what mooses said in torah and
i will execute vengeance in anger and
fury upon the heathen such as they have
not heard

isaiah says we'll just finish here in

isaiah 66

verse 15.

for behold

the lord will come with fire
and with his chariots like a whirlwind
to render his anger with fury and his
rebuke with flames of fire

for by fire

and by his sword

will the lord plead with all flesh

and the slain of the lord

shall be many

so god will act to ultimately

protect and defend his people but not
before
allowing them to go through their paces
and it's going to be epic
and the slain of the lord will be many
first among judah and israel and then
among the gentiles
and in all of this in all of this chaos
and bloodshed and tragedy
somebody needs to be narrated
somebody needs to be explaining
and somebody needs to be preaching the
gospel the good news of the kingdom of
god and so brethren that's why we're
here at this feast of tabernacles is to
fully comprehend the counsel
of god this strange work of god this
mysterious work that god is doing so
that we can be
preachers of the good news the good
tidings of god i hope brethren that you
found today's uh episode helpful uh god
willing tomorrow we move on to micah 6
where again god through micah is going
to detail
what he's going to do to judah in order
to bring her to this place of repentance
god bless brethren have a great fifth
day of the feast of tabernacles
you