### Micah

## Chapter 1

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 2‘Hear these words, O you peoples;  
 Also pay attention, you lands  
 And those who are dwelling within you!  
 For, from His Most Holy [Place],  
 Jehovah will now testify.  
  
 3‘{Look!} Jehovah will come from His place  
 And go down upon your high places,  
 Then seat Himself in the heights.  
  
 4‘The mountains will shake underneath Him,  
 And like beeswax in fire, the valleys will melt,  
 Then flow like water that rolls down a slope.  
  
 5‘Yes, He will do all these things  
 Because of Jacob’s irreverent ways  
 And because of the sins of the house of IsraEl.  
  
 [‘For God says:]  
  
 ‘Isn’t ‘Isn’t <span class="placename">Samaria‘Isn’t <span class="placename">Samaria</span> the irreverence of Jacob  
 And isn’t And isn’t <span class="placename">JudahAnd isn’t <span class="placename">Judah</span>’s sin, And isn’t <span class="placename">Judah</span>’s sin, <span class="placename">JeruSalemAnd isn’t <span class="placename">Judah</span>’s sin, <span class="placename">JeruSalem</span>?  
  
 6‘So I’ll turn ‘So I’ll turn <span class="placename">Samaria‘So I’ll turn <span class="placename">Samaria</span> into a barn  
 Where the fruits of the fields can be stored  
 Along with the [grapes] of the vineyards.  
 I’ll tear down her stones in great chaos,  
 And her foundations, I’ll expose.  
  
 7‘I’ll cut her carved idols to pieces;  
 Her temple whores, I’ll burn in a fire;  
 And I’ll appoint her idols to extinction.  
 For she hired whores and gathered them there…  
 So the wages of whores are what I’ll destroy.  
  
 8‘For this, she’ll wail and beat on her breasts…  
 She will go barefoot and naked…  
 She’ll beat on her chest like a dragon,  
 And mourn like chained demon’s daughters.  
  
 9‘This calamity upon her will surely arrive;  
 For she went to For she went to <span class="placename">JudahFor she went to <span class="placename">Judah</span> and For she went to <span class="placename">Judah</span> and <span class="placename">JeruSalemFor she went to <span class="placename">Judah</span> and <span class="placename">JeruSalem</span>  
 And touched the gates of my people.’  
  
 10‘Now, those in ‘Now, those in <span class="placename">Gath‘Now, those in <span class="placename">Gath</span> shouldn’t feel special,  
 Nor should those who are living in Nor should those who are living in <span class="placename">BakaIm Nor should those who are living in <span class="placename">BakaIm</span>…  
 And don’t laugh as you try to rebuild your homes,  
 For the land will be strewn with your laughter,  
 11And nothing good will come to your towns.  
  
 ‘Then, those in ‘Then, those in <span class="placename">ZaAnan ‘Then, those in <span class="placename">ZaAnan</span> will beat on their breasts  
 On behalf of the houses next door…  
 They’ll be grieved by the things that will happen to you.  
  
 12‘For then, who’ll console her when she is sad  
 Over the bad things Jehovah will send,  
 Which will reach all the way to Which will reach all the way to <span class="placename">JeruSalem Which will reach all the way to <span class="placename">JeruSalem</span>’s gates?  
  
 13‘They’ll hear the sounds of chariots and riders  
 [Attacking the City] of [Attacking the City] of <span class="placename">LachIsh [Attacking the City] of <span class="placename">LachIsh</span>.  
 For, they’re the ones who’ve been taking the lead  
 In the sins of the daughters of In the sins of the daughters of <span class="placename">Zion In the sins of the daughters of <span class="placename">Zion</span>…  
 All of IsraEl’s godless deeds can be found there!  
  
 14‘Because of this, they’ll be carried away  
 And become the inheritance of And become the inheritance of <span class="placename">Gath And become the inheritance of <span class="placename">Gath</span>…  
 Yes, even their poorest of homes.  
  
 15‘There, ‘There, <span class="placename">IsraEl‘There, <span class="placename">IsraEl</span>’s kings won’t be valued…  
 The inheritance of The inheritance of <span class="placename">Gath The inheritance of <span class="placename">Gath</span>, they’ll become.  
 The people of The people of <span class="placename">LachIsh The people of <span class="placename">LachIsh</span> will then be their [slaves].  
 And off to And off to <span class="placename">AdulLam And off to <span class="placename">AdulLam</span>, they’ll carry  
 The glory of IsraEl’s daughters.  
  
 16‘So, shave [the heads of] your beloved young…  
 Make them as bald as the vultures;  
 For, they’ll all be carried away!’