

**No One Like the LORD**  
**Micah 6:9-7:20**

- **Ps 71:19:** “Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?”
- **Ex 15:11:** “Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?”

**#1: Supreme in His Judgment (6:9-7:7)**

**David Prior:** “So the nub of the Lord’s accusation against the city was one of idolatry, a covetousness that was *self-serving* in its devices, *brutal* in its execution, *demoralizing* in its impact, *self-reliant* in its counsel.”

**Psalm 112:5**

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;  
who conducts his affairs with justice.

**Micah 6:9-16**

- <sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD cries to the city—  
and it is sound wisdom to fear your name:  
“Hear of the rod and of him who appointed it!
- <sup>10</sup> Can I forget any longer the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked,  
and the scant measure that is accursed?
- <sup>11</sup> Shall I acquit the man with wicked scales  
and with a bag of deceitful weights?
- <sup>12</sup> Your rich men are full of violence;  
your inhabitants speak lies,  
and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.
- <sup>13</sup> Therefore I strike you with a grievous blow,  
making you desolate because of your sins.
- <sup>14</sup> You shall eat, but not be satisfied,  
and there shall be hunger within you;  
you shall put away, but not preserve,  
and what you preserve I will give to the sword.
- <sup>15</sup> You shall sow, but not reap;  
you shall tread olives, but not anoint yourselves with oil;  
you shall tread grapes, but not drink wine.
- <sup>16</sup> For you have kept the statutes of Omri,  
and all the works of the house of Ahab;  
and you have walked in their counsels,  
that I may make you a desolation, and your inhabitants a hissing;  
so you shall bear the scorn of my people.”

### **Amos 5:11-15**

- 11 Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and you exact taxes of grain from him,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not dwell in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.
- 12 For I know how many are your transgressions  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and turn aside the needy in the gate.
- 13 Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,  
for it is an evil time.
- 14 Seek good, and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
as you have said.
- 15 Hate evil, and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

### **Lamentations 2:15-16**

- 15 All who pass along the way  
clap their hands at you;  
they hiss and wag their heads  
at the daughter of Jerusalem:  
“Is this the city that was called  
the perfection of beauty,  
the joy of all the earth?”
- 16 All your enemies  
rail against you;  
they hiss, they gnash their teeth,  
they cry: “We have swallowed her!  
Ah, this is the day we longed for;  
now we have it; we see it!”

### **Micah 7:1-7**

**7** Woe is me! For I have become  
 as when the summer fruit has been gathered,  
 as when the grapes have been gleaned:  
 there is no cluster to eat,  
 no first-ripe fig that my soul desires.  
**2** The godly has perished from the earth,  
 and there is no one upright among mankind;  
 they all lie in wait for blood,  
 and each hunts the other with a net.  
**3** Their hands are on what is evil, to do it well;  
 the prince and the judge ask for a bribe,  
 and the great man utters the evil desire of his soul;  
 thus they weave it together.  
**4** The best of them is like a brier,  
 the most upright of them a thorn hedge.  
 The day of your watchmen, of your punishment, has come;  
 now their confusion is at hand.  
**5** Put no trust in a neighbor;  
 have no confidence in a friend;  
 guard the doors of your mouth  
 from her who lies in your arms;  
**6** for the son treats the father with contempt,  
 the daughter rises up against her mother,  
 the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
 a man's enemies are the men of his own house.  
**7** But as for me, I will look to the LORD;  
 I will wait for the God of my salvation;  
 my God will hear me.

<b>#2: Supreme in His Deliverance (7:8-14)</b>
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**Micah 7:8-10**

**8** Rejoice not over me, O my enemy;  
 when I fall, I shall rise;  
 when I sit in darkness,  
 the LORD will be a light to me.  
**9** I will bear the indignation of the LORD  
 because I have sinned against him,  
 until he pleads my cause  
 and executes judgment for me.  
 He will bring me out to the light;  
 I shall look upon his vindication.  
**10** Then my enemy will see,

and shame will cover her who said to me,  
“Where is the LORD your God?”  
My eyes will look upon her;  
now she will be trampled down  
like the mire of the streets.

## Psalm 22

<sup>4</sup> In you our fathers trusted;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.

<sup>5</sup> To you they cried and were rescued;  
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

<sup>6</sup> But I am a worm and not a man,  
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.

<sup>7</sup> All who see me mock me;  
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

<sup>8</sup> “He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;  
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”

<sup>12</sup> Many bulls encompass me;  
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;  
<sup>13</sup> they open wide their mouths at me,  
like a ravening and roaring lion.

<sup>14</sup> I am poured out like water,  
and all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart is like wax;  
it is melted within my breast;  
<sup>15</sup> my strength is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
you lay me in the dust of death.

<sup>16</sup> For dogs encompass me;  
a company of evildoers encircles me;  
they have pierced my hands and feet—  
<sup>17</sup> I can count all my bones—  
they stare and gloat over me;  
<sup>18</sup> they divide my garments among them,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.

<sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, do not be far off!  
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!  
<sup>20</sup> Deliver my soul from the sword,  
my precious life from the power of the dog!

21 Save me from the mouth of the lion!  
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

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and shame will cover her who said to me,  
“Where is the LORD your God?”  
My eyes will look upon her;  
now she will be trampled down  
like the mire of the streets.
- 11 A day for the building of your walls!  
In that day the boundary shall be far extended.
- 12 In that day they will come to you,  
from Assyria and the cities of Egypt,  
and from Egypt to the River,  
from sea to sea and from mountain to mountain.
- 13 But the earth will be desolate  
because of its inhabitants,  
for the fruit of their deeds.

### **#3: Supreme in His Guidance (7:14-17)**

- 14 Shepherd your people with your staff,  
the flock of your inheritance,  
who dwell alone in a forest  
in the midst of a garden land;  
let them graze in Bashan and Gilead  
as in the days of old.
- 15 As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt,  
I will show them marvelous things.
- 16 The nations shall see and be ashamed of all their might;  
they shall lay their hands on their mouths;

- their ears shall be deaf;  
17 they shall lick the dust like a serpent,  
like the crawling things of the earth;  
they shall come trembling out of their strongholds;  
they shall turn in dread to the LORD our God,  
and they shall be in fear of you.

**#4: Supreme in Forgiveness (7:18-20)**

- 18 Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity  
and passing over transgression  
for the remnant of his inheritance?  
He does not retain his anger forever,  
because he delights in steadfast love.  
19 He will again have compassion on us;  
he will tread our iniquities underfoot.  
You will cast all our sins  
into the depths of the sea.  
20 You will show faithfulness to Jacob  
and steadfast love to Abraham,  
as you have sworn to our fathers  
from the days of old.

“John, I want you to understand something. I know my Bible well, and therefore I know the subtlety of sin and the devices of sin working in the human heart. I know you are a thoroughly converted man, John, but I know that you still have an old nature and that you are not yet as fully instructed in the ways of God as you soon will be. The Devil will do all he can to wreck your Christian life, and he will see to it that temptations of every kind will be put in your way. The day might come—please God that it never shall—but the day might come when you will succumb to temptation and fall into sin. Immediately the Devil will tell you that it is no use trying, that you might as well continue on in sin and that above all you are not to tell me because it will hurt me. ***But, John, I want you to know that here in my arms is your home. When I married you I married your old nature as well as your new nature. And I want you to know there is full pardon and forgiveness in advance for any evil that may ever come into your life.***”