

Micah 6

Chapter 6 of 7 · 16 Verses · Authorized King James Version

The Lord's Case Against Israel

- 1** Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.
 - 2** Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD'S controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.
 - 3** O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.
 - 4** For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.
 - 5** O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.
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What the Lord Requires

- 6** Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?
- 7** Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
- 8** He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

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- 9** The LORD'S voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.
- 10** Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?
- 11** Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?
- 12** For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.
- 13** Therefore also will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate because of thy sins.
- 14** Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.
- 15** Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.
- 16** For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.
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HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Forgive — נָשָׂא / נָלַח (Salach / Nasa)

To forgive, pardon, lift up

The Hebrew **salach** (נָלַח) is used exclusively of God's forgiveness—divine pardon that only He can grant. **Nasa** (נָשָׂא) means to lift up or carry away, picturing sin being removed.

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Lord — יְהוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יהוה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Redeem — גָּאַל (Gaal)

To redeem, act as kinsman-redeemer

The Hebrew **gaal** (גָּאַל) means to redeem or act as kinsman-redeemer (go'el)—buying back family property or relatives. It foreshadows Christ redeeming His people through His blood.

Righteous — צַדִּיק (Tzaddik)

Righteous one

The Hebrew **tzaddik** (צַדִּיק) describes one who is righteous, just, or lawful—conforming to God's standard. From the root tzedek (צֶדֶק), meaning righteousness or justice.

Sin — חַטָּאת (Chatta'ah)

Sin, missing the mark

The Hebrew **chatta'ah** (חַטָּאת) means sin—missing the mark of God's standard. It encompasses rebellion, transgression, and falling short of divine holiness.

CROSS REFERENCES

Micah 6:1

References Lord: Micah 1:2; Psalms 50:1; Isaiah 1:2; Jeremiah 22:29; Ezekiel 36:1. **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 4:26; 32:1; Psalms 50:4; Ezekiel 36:8; Luke 19:40

Micah 6:2 **References Lord:** 2 Samuel 22:16; Isaiah 1:18; Hosea 4:1; 12:2. **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 32:22; Psalms 104:5

Micah 6:3 **Parallel theme:** Micah 6:5; Psalms 81:13; Jeremiah 2:5; 2:31; Romans 3:19. **Witness:** Psalms 50:7

Micah 6:4

References Egypt: Exodus 12:51; 20:2; Jeremiah 32:21; Amos 2:10. **Redemption:** Deuteronomy 7:8; 2 Samuel 7:23. **References Moses:** Numbers 12:1

Micah 6:5 **Parallel theme:** Numbers 25:1; Joshua 4:19; Jude 1:11; Revelation 2:14. **Righteousness:** Judges 5:11

Micah 6:6

Parallel theme: Matthew 19:16; Acts 2:37. **References God:** Daniel 3:26; Mark 5:7

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Micah 6:8 **Righteousness:** Proverbs 21:3; Jeremiah 22:3; Amos 5:24. **Love:** Luke 11:42; Colossians 3:12; 1 Peter 3:8. **References Lord:** 1 Samuel 15:22; Isaiah 66:2. **Grace:** Hosea 6:6; Luke 6:36

Micah 6:9 **Parallel theme:** Revelation 3:19. **References Lord:** Isaiah 30:27; Hosea 14:9; Zephaniah 3:2

Micah 6:10 **Parallel theme:** Joshua 7:1; Proverbs 11:1; 20:10; 20:23; 21:6; Amos 3:10. **Evil:** Proverbs 10:2

Micah 6:11 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 19:36; Proverbs 16:11; Hosea 12:7

Micah 6:12 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 1:23; 3:8; 5:7; Jeremiah 9:8; Hosea 7:13

Micah 6:13 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 26:16; Hosea 13:16; Acts 12:23

Micah 6:14 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 26:26; Isaiah 65:13; Hosea 4:10; Haggai 1:6

Micah 6:15 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 26:20; Jeremiah 12:13; Amos 5:11; Zephaniah 1:13; Haggai 1:6

Micah 6:16 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 44:13; Isaiah 25:8; Jeremiah 7:24; 51:51. **Sin:** Jeremiah 19:8