

The books of Micah and Nahum speak to people living in a world that often feels unfair.

Micah calls God's people to examine their hearts and live differently, while Nahum reminds them that God sees injustice and will ultimately make things right.

Micah exposes the danger of empty religion and challenges God's people to pursue lives marked by justice, mercy, and humility. Nahum offers hope by reminding us that evil never has the final word because God remains faithful, good, and in control.

This week, we are going to practice trusting God, even when we can't understand how God is at work around us. As you read, ask:

- What does this passage reveal about God?
- What needs attention beneath the surface of my life?
- How does God want me to live differently?
- Where do I need to trust God with the outcome?

Grab your notebook and Bible, and let's get started.

Parents: The accounts of Micah and Nahum both point toward a coming day of judgement AND a day of restoration. This week's Parent Prompt will help you talk with your kids and students about how God is patient even when we aren't faithful. You will get to discuss what it looks like to follow Jesus in your everyday life and rhythms —it's about allowing God to transform us from the inside out and trusting Him even when we don't understand what's happening around us. [Parent Guide](#)

Week 26 Memory Verse | Micah 6:8

"He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Monday, June 29**Read:** Micah 1:1–16

Reflect: Micah begins by confronting God's people about the gap between their spiritual identity and the way they were actually living. We often know the right things to say, so even understand the “right Christian answers”, but we haven’t allowed the truth of who God is to change how we live our day to day.

Act: What area of my life needs an honest evaluation before God? It could be easy to say that every area needs to be evaluated before God and to skip past what God is trying to show you - but try to resist that and actually find a specific and tangible area of your life that God is trying to bring to your attention.

Pray: Lord, search my heart and know me. You know when I am just going through the motions. In those moments, draw me closer to you so that it is not about religion but relationship.

Tuesday, June 30**Read:** Micah 5:1-6 & Matthew 2:1-6

Reflect: Micah brings us on a journey from exile to victory. Micah talks about the defeat and demise of the people of Israel but prophesies of the coming hope, Jesus!

As you read these scriptures today, truly think about how God inspired and gave Micah the words and vision to tell of the coming King, Jesus. And then around 700 years later it unfolds just as Micah had said. What an amazing, sovereign God we serve who is in control of all the details and circumstances even when we can’t make sense of it all.

Act: What in my life feels like defeat or exile? How can I have hope, knowing that one day God is going to bring resolution and victory to this situation? Write down how you hope this situation will be resolved.

Pray: God, I trust you in these circumstances that feel defeated and like there is no way out. I know I have a hope and a plan for how this will turn out, but I lay down my plan and ask for your will and plan to be done. That your victory will come to this situation.

Wednesday, July 1

Read: Matthew 23:1-36

Reflect: Woe to you - this is a scary line to hear Jesus speak to us, but this is his reminder in Matthew 23. Jesus echoes Micah's warning when He challenges the religious leaders for focusing on appearances while neglecting their hearts. We don't want to find ourselves in a place of going through the motions of church and religion.

He reminds us that our character is built in places nobody sees.

God is not interested in helping us look righteous, anyone can look righteous. He wants to make us righteous from the inside out, through Jesus.

Act: What parts of my character falter or waiver when no one is looking? Who am I without an audience? Think back to a time when your plans were interrupted or ruined - what came out of you in those moments?

Pray: Lord, may you show me the areas of my character and life that need your light to illuminate. That you give me wisdom and courage to build my character in the secret, disciplined moments of my life.

Thursday, July 2

Read: Nahum 1:1-8

Reflect: Around 760 B.C. Jonah traveled to Nineveh to prophesy that God would destroy them if they did not repent, but they repented. Now we have Nahum bringing the same judgement and prophecy to the people of Nineveh around 630 B.C. Ultimately, God brought

judgement upon the city and people of Nineveh. So, what was the difference?

The city of Nineveh responded to Jonah's warning from God with repentance, but Nineveh's leaders resumed their wicked ways and Nahum brought God's warning that judgement would come, and it did, the city of Nineveh fell. Every kingdom that opposes God has an expiration date.

Nahum reminds God's people that He sees every injustice and every act of evil. While it may seem like evil is winning, God is never absent and never unaware. It is not hard to point out evil in our world. It can feel like there is injustice everywhere we turn, but we already know the end of the story and God wins. Even when it feels like evil has won, we can hold onto the truth that God will have the final say.

Act: It can be easy to point out the evil in the world around us and miss or shy away from the sin that lives within us. Are there areas of your life that I have chosen not to repent? Today is the day, repent and ask God to forgive those areas of your life.

Pray: Lord, you see the areas of my life that I have hidden, sins and struggles that I have tried to hide but I open them to you and ask for your forgiveness. Help me to continually have a heart of repentance in every area of my life.

Friday, July 3

Read: Micah 6:1–8 & Deuteronomy 6:4–5

Reflect: God makes His expectations clear. He desires people who act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with Him. Justice affects how we treat others. Mercy affects how we respond to others. Humility affects how we walk with God.

Act: Why does God care about justice, mercy and humility? Does he care if I show those in my life?

Pray: Lord, give me grace to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you. May you continue to bring these words to my mind so that I will not lose sight of how you have called me to live.

Saturday, July 4–Sunday, July 5

Read: Nahum 1:7–15

Reflect: In the midst of uncertainty, Nahum offers one of the clearest reminders of God's character:

"The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him."

God's people could trust Him not because life was easy, but because God was faithful.

When we trust God with the outcome, we can live with confidence even when we don't have all the answers.

Act: What outcome do I need to place into God's hands today?

Pray: Lord, I commit my life to you today. That no matter the outcome of the circumstances around me, I can trust in you. Please be my refuge in times of trouble, be my peace in times of uncertainty. I trust every piece of my life to you.