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Week 4: Justice

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Micah 4:2-8, 11-13

² “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob,

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that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

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For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

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³ He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away;

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and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;

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nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore;

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⁴ but they shall sit every man under his vine
and under his fig tree,

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and no one shall make them afraid,
for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

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⁵ For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

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⁶ In that day, declares the Lord, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away and those whom I have afflicted;

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⁷ and the lame I will make the remnant,
and those who were cast off, a strong nation;

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and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion
from this time forth and forevermore.

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⁸ And you, O tower of the flock, hill of the daughter of Zion, to you shall it come,

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the former dominion shall come,
kingship for the daughter of Jerusalem.

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¹¹ Now many nations are assembled against you,
saying, “Let her be defiled,
and let our eyes gaze upon Zion.”

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¹² But they do not know the thoughts of the Lord;
they do not understand his plan, that he has
gathered them as sheaves to the threshing floor.

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¹³ Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion,
for I will make your horn iron,
and I will make your hoofs bronze;

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you shall beat in pieces many peoples;
and shall devote their gain to the Lord,
their wealth to the Lord of the whole earth.

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3. Restoring complete harmony (shalom)

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The need for a judge:
who determines what is right?

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The goodness of the Judge:
He brings redemption

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