



Micah 5 - Secure in Christ alone

Verses 1-6: the victorious Shepherd

What do we know about the situation in Judah during Micah's ministry - religious, cultural, political? *Think about what we've seen in Micah already, and draw on other biblical books if you like. - 2 Chronicles 27-32 cover the reigns of the kings mentioned in Micah 1:1.*

How do you think Micah's contemporaries would have understood these verses? *Think about the background you've just discussed...*

How does Jesus fulfill these promises? How does he go beyond the expectations of ancient Israel?

What difference does it (or should it) make in our lives and our church that the Lord Jesus stands and shepherds his flock?

Verses 7-15: the secure people

Looking first at verses 10-15, why do you think the Lord is going to strip these things from his people? (Remember that this is not part of his judgement on them, but part of his rescue!)

What things might we find our security in - as individuals or as a church - instead of Christ's victory? *Perhaps ask the question the other way around: what things make us feel insecure? This could be political or cultural forces, or our own sin, or the opinions of others...*

What would it look like to be **both** refreshing dew **and** a threatening lion?
How might we miss being one or the other?

How can we encourage one another to trust wholly in the Lord Jesus?