



Sermon Outline

Key verse

He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth.

Micah 5:4

Christ is our good shepherd

1. He restores the broken

You will go to Babylon; there you will be rescued. There the Lord will redeem you out of the hand of your enemies.

Micah 4:10b

2. He gives strength to the weak

All the nations may walk in the name of their gods, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

Micah 4:5

3. He brings peace in our chaos

Your hand will be lifted up in triumph over your enemies, and all your foes will be destroyed.

Micah 5:9

HE WILL SHEPHERD HIS FLOCK

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

Opening Thought

Today we explore Micah chapters 4-5. Here a promised deliverer will care for his people as a shepherd tends his flock. Although judgment is still impending, God's people can trust that he will one day restore them. He will teach them of his ways and judge rightly, so that his people will live in peace.

Ice breakers

- Do you enjoy books and movies that have a “happily ever after” ending? Why or why not?
- Which animals have you raised? What did you learn?

Dig Deeper

- How does Micah 5:1 describe the hopelessness of Israel's situation?
- Micah prophesies that the Messiah will come out of Bethlehem (Micah 5:2) What significance does that have? [Rachel, Ruth, David, “house of bread,” etc]
- How does Micah's prophecy in 4-5 encourage you to trust in God's promises?
- Read John 10:11-15. What are the characteristics of a good shepherd?
- What have you experienced more of this year. Brokenness, weakness, or chaos? How has Christ shepherded you through it?

Closing

Don't let life knock you down. Turn to Christ! He will lovingly care for you and protect you. When your life is entrusted to him, you live securely. Admit your weakness and watch as the Lord triumphs over the darkness in your life. *I will destroy the cities of your land and tear down all your strongholds. ¹² I will destroy your witchcraft and you will no longer cast spells. ¹³ I will destroy your idols and your sacred stones from among you; you will no longer bow down to the work of your hands.* (Micah 5:11-13)