

A stylized, light-colored outline of an open book is centered in the background. The book is open, showing two pages, and has a simple, elegant design with a central spine and decorative curves at the top and bottom.

MICAH

Micah 6

“Incomparable Covenant”

How has God been faithful to us?
How can we be more faithful to him?

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“But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. For I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me.”

- 1 Corinthians 4:3-4

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v3 *What have I done?* – “The righteous acts of the Lord”

v6 *What do you want?* – The people’s poor defense

v8 *What did I tell you?* – The good requirement

“He compounds his sin of refusing to repent by suggesting that God, like man, can be bought. His willingness to raise the price does not reflect his generosity but veils a complaint that God demands too much; the reverse side of his bargaining is that he hopes to buy God off as cheaply as possible. What effrontery to such a mighty and gracious God!”

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“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: **justice and mercy and faithfulness**. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. You blind guides, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel!”

- Matthew 23:23-24

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v10-12 Lies, Violence and the Imbalanced Scales of Injustice

v13-15 Desolation and Earning the Emptiness of their Errors

v16 Scorn and the Wages of Sin

“Should the Lord turn a blind eye to the unscrupulous business practices of merchants, he would become an accomplice with them.”

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“And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him. And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him. He erected an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he built in Samaria. And Ahab made an Asherah. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him.”

- 1 Kings 16:30-33

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