

BETHLEHEM'S HONOR

GOD'S KINGLY VILLAGE MICAH 5:2

Dr. Mike Fabarez • Focal Point Radio Ministries • December 18 & 19, 2021 • Christmas at Compass • Msg. 21-43 Micah 5:2 But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall **1. Detect** _____ (v.2a) come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. (ESV) **2. Adopt** _____ (v.2b) 3. Live _____ (v.2c)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

- 1. Read **Isaiah 40:1-8**. In what ways do these truths heighten your anticipation of the second coming of Christ? What specifically about this text challenges you to not be passive about what is to come?
- 2. Read **2 Peter 2:6-9**. What in this passage can keep you from being overly discouraged about the cultural decline and the increasing hostility against God's people and his truth in the modern era?
- 3. Read **John 6:32-35**. How would you advise a Christian who tells you that he has no consolation or peace amid the trails and pains of his life?

4. Read **1 Samuel 16:6-7**; **1 Timothy 6:6-10** and **1 John 2:15-17**. What safeguards or practices can you put in place to remind yourself that what is valued by our culture should not determine your ultimate priorities and goals?

5. Read **Luke 10:1-3** and **Matthew 25:31-32**. What are some of the ways, and in what settings might you be able to champion the greatness of the coming King?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

December 19th
Mic.1-3 & Rev.10

December 20th

Mic.4-5 & Rev.11

December 21st

Mic.6-7 & Rev.12

December 22nd

Nah.1-3 & Rev.13

December 23rd

Hab.1-3 & Rev.14

December 24th

Zeph.1-3 & Rev.15

December 25th

Hag.1-2 & Rev.16

December 26th

Zech.1-3 & Rev.17

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Msg. 13-40 - The Epicenter of a Divine Revolution

Msg. 18-08 - Admiring God's Dynastic Plans

Msg. 10-38 - A Unique Child

Msg. 17-61 – *The Southern Prophets*

Msg. 20-01 - Proclaiming Christ's Power

Msg. 11-12 - The King of Kings

Msg. 12-42 - A Controversial Baby

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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