

God's Deliverance is Coming

D. Promise of God's **deliverance** (The Millennium) (Micah 4)

1. Proof it is during the **Millennium** (Micah 4:1-2)

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2 And **many nations** shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: **for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem**.

(Cannot be talking about **today!** The Word of the Lord will not come from Israel again until the **Millennium**)

2. The **Judgment** (Micah 4:3-5)

3 And **he shall judge among many people**, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and **they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks**: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall sit **every man under his vine and under his fig tree**; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and **we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever**.

3. God will **gather** Israel (Micah 4:6-8)

6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble **her that halteth**, and I will gather **her that is driven out**, and **her that I have afflicted**;

7 And I will make her **that halted a remnant**, and her that was cast far off **a strong nation**: and **the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever**.

8 And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

The Millennium

Introduction:

- Three different views Of the Millennium
- **Postmillennialist** - teaches that the return of Christ will occur **after** the millennium.
- Millennium refers to a 1000-year reign of Christ upon this earth.
- **Amillennialist** - totally **rejects** the notion that Christ will reign upon the earth for a period of 1000 years. **Premillennialist** - accepts the Bible as **literal**, placing the Second Coming or return of Christ before the millennium happens.

Revelation 20:4-6

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and **they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years**.

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again **until the thousand years were finished**. This is the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Revelation 20:14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. **This is the second death.**

- **Christ shall reign on earth for a 1000-year period and the saints of God shall reign with Him.**
- **After the millennium, the Devil shall be loosed from his prison, and once again deceive the nations of the earth.**
- **There will be one more major battle between the forces of evil and God's people**

Revelation 20:9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: **and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.** Note: Micah 4:11-13

I. During the millennium, the curse will be lifted. Isaiah 11:6-9

6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and **a little child shall lead them.**

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and **the lion shall eat straw like the ox.**

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the **asp(venomous snake)**, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the **cockatrice(poisonous serpent)** den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for **the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD**, as the waters cover the sea.

II. During the millennium, the earth will be fruitful. Amos 9:13 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that **the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed**; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

III. During the millennium, wars will cease Psalms 46:9 He maketh wars to cease unto **the end of the earth**; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

Where Wars Originate

James 4:1 From whence come wars and fightings among you? **come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?**

IV. During the millennium, the Lord Jesus will be King over all the earth.

Zechariah 14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

Luke 1:32-33

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Daniel saw the eternal **kingdom** of our Lord.

Daniel 2:36-45

36 This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

37 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all.

Thou art this head of gold.

39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

- a. The head of **gold** – Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom (Babylon)
- b. The breast and arms of **silver** – Media-Persian Empire See Dan. 8:20
- c. The belly and thighs of **brass** – Grecian Empire of Alexander the Great
- d. The legs of **iron** – Rome
- e. The feet of **iron and clay**, including the 10 toes – Revived Roman Empire of Anti-christ
- f. The stone pictured **Christ's** kingdom

Micah 4:1-3

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4. **Babylonian Captivity** (Micah 4:9)

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? **for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail**.

5. **Deliverance** from captivity (Micah 4:10)

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: **for now shalt thou go forth out of the city**, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to **Babylon**; there shalt thou be delivered; there **the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies**.

Cyrus the King of Persia

Isaiah 44:28 That saith of **Cyrus**, **He is my shepherd**, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.

II Chronicles 36:22-23

22 Now in the first year of **Cyrus king of Persia**, that the word of the LORD spoken by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying,

23 Thus saith **Cyrus king of Persia**, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is there among you of all his people? The LORD his God be with him, and let him go up.

6. **Armageddon** (Joel 3; Zechariah 12 and 14; Ezekiel 38 and 39)

11 Now also **many nations are gathered against thee**, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.

13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.