<u>Series</u>: Who Is Like God! <u>Title</u>: The First Proclamation 2: Judgement is Coming! <u>Text</u>: (Micah 1-2)

Who Is Speaking?

Micah, from Moresheth, 25mi SW of Jerusalem ~Gath Micah's Authority: (Mic 3:8)

To Whom Is He Speaking?

Micah spoke & wrote to both Kingdoms Israel & Judah,

About What Is He Speaking?

Micah's message was condemnation of moral conditions

When Is He Speaking?

He lived & prophesied in the reign of Jothan 749-734 B.C.; Ahaz 741-726, Hezekiah 726-697 Micah was a contemporary of Isaiah, Amos, & Hosea.

Historical, Economical, & Political Context:

Judah was rapidly changing from rural to urban Micah saw the fall of the N Kingdom by Assyria (722) & the fall of Jerusalem & Judah by Babylon (606-596).

Today: A Warning Message: Judgement is Coming!

A. <u>Declaration</u>: God's Wrath is Coming! (Vs 1-5)

- 1. <u>The Writer and His Message</u>: (1:1-2)
- 2. The Court has Convened: (Vs 2)
- 2. The Judge Arrives: (Vs 3-4)
- 3. The Judge Names the Defendants: (Vs 5)
- 4. <u>Sentence Read</u>: Cities Shall be Ruined: (Vs 6-16)
 - **a. The Ruin if Samaria: (Vs 6-9)**(Is 28:1-4)
 - b. The Ruin of Judah, (Vs 9-16) Fulfilled: 709 BC
 - c. Micah uses "Puns" of city names: (1:10-13)
- B. <u>The Indictments that Justify Judgement</u>: (Ch 2:1-11)
 - Accusation: (Ch 2 1-11) The Sins of the People.
 - 1. <u>Covetousness</u>: (Ch 2:1-5)

a. Violence and arrogance of her nobles

2. False Prophets: (Ch 2:6-11)

Threaten true prophets: (Jer 5:31) (Amos 7:12-13) (2 Tim 2:1-3) *Endure and teach others*. (Matt 10:23) a. Micah Asks a Question. Vs 7

C. Final Restoration of a Remnant, (Ch 2:12-13)

Judgment must begin in the house of the Lord (1 Peter 4:17).