

The Long Awaited King

Micah 5:1-6

1. The Hope Found In God's Loving Discipline

Woe to those who devise wickedness and work evil on their beds! When the morning dawns, they perform it, because it is in the powers of their hand. They covet fields and seize them, and houses, and take them away; they oppress a man and his house, a man and his inheritance. Therefore thus says the Lord: behold, against this family I am devising disaster, from which you cannot remove your necks.

Micah 2:1-3

My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. For the Lord disciplines the ones he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.

Hebrews 12:5-6

2. The Hope Of God's Future Promise

Now muster your troops, O daughter of troops; siege is laid against us; with a rod they strike the judge of Israel on the cheek. But you, O Bethlehem, Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore, he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace.

Micah 5:1-5

They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:" - Matthew 2:5

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me." - John 10:14

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." -John 10:11