

Micah 2:1~

Woe to those who are scheming what is harmful, and to those practicing what is bad, upon their beds! By the light of the morning they proceed to do it, because it is in the power of their hand.

1· Micah now shows some of the things that the people of Israel are engaged in doing. They spend their nights scheming up what is harmful, while resting upon their beds. Then by the light of morning, they proceed to do what they have planned, because it is in the power of their hands to accomplish it. Thus they expend their power for wrongdoing alone.

[Question] How does Micah now show the people what things they are doing wrong before their God?

2· And Haman proceeded to say to King Ahasuerus; There is one certain people scattered and separated among the peoples in all the jurisdictional districts of your realm, and their Laws are different from all other people's, and the king's own laws they are not performing, and for the king it is not appropriate to let them alone. (Esther 3:8)

[Question] How did Haman scheme up trouble for all the Jews?

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[Question] How did the Psalmist show, how the wicked one thinks and acts?

5· For they have brought their heart near as to a furnace, it is burning inside them. All night long their baker is sleeping, by morning the furnace is burning as with a flaming fire. (Hosea 7:6)

[Question] How did Hosea illustrate, how their heart's desires burn within them, till morning when they can execute them?

- 6· When it had become **morning**, all the chief priests and the older men of the people, held a consultation against Jesus so as to put him to death. (**Matthew 27:1**)

[Question] What did the Jews do first thing in the morning, to bring about the death of Jesus Christ unjustly?

- 7· Now when it became day, the Jews formed a conspiracy, and bound themselves with a curse, saying they would neither eat nor drink, until they had killed Paul. (**Acts of Apostles 23:12**)

[Question] What did the Jews conspire to do to Paul, though their plan was thwarted?

- 8· It is in the **power** of my **hand** to do harm to **you** people, but the God of **your** father talked to me last night, saying; Watch yourself against speaking either good or **bad** with Jacob. (**Genesis 31:29**)

[Question] How did Yehowah God protect Jacob from the wrath of Laban?

- 9· Then Jezebel his wife said to him; Is it you that now exercise the kingship over Israel? Rise up, eat bread and let your heart be merry. I myself shall give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. (**1 Kings 21:7**)

[Question] How did Jezebel usurp the kingship, and take wicked action against Naboth?

- 10· Hence Pilate said to him; Are you not speaking to me? Do you not know I have authority to release you, and I have authority to impale you? (**John 19:10**)

[Question] What did Pilate tell Jesus, when before him, that he had authority to do to him?

- 11· However, it came about that on the third day, when they got to be aching, the two sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, brothers of Dinah, proceeded to take each one his sword, and to go unsuspectedly to the city, and to kill every male. (**Genesis 34:25**)

[Question] How did Simeon and Levi hatch an evil plot against the men of Shechem?

- 12· When the man would say to him; Let them be sure to make the fat smoke first of all. Then take for yourself just whatever your soul may crave, he actually said; No, but you should give it now, and, if not, I shall have to take it by force! (1 Samuel 2:16)

[Question] How did the sons of Eli act wickedly with the sacrifices at Yehowah God's house?

- 13· And it came about on the next day, that he proceeded to take a coverlet and dip it in water and spread it out over his face, so that he died. And Hazael began to reign in place of him. (2 Kings 8:15)

[Question] What did Hazael do to kill his predecessor?

- 14· Now after the copy of the official document of Artaxerxes the king had been read before Rehum and Shimshai, the scribe and their colleagues, they went in a hurry to Jerusalem to the Jews and stopped them by force of arms. (Ezra 4:23)

[Question] What did Rehum and Shimshai do, to effect a stop to the temple building?

- 15· For they have fed themselves with the bread of wickedness, and the wine of acts of violence is what they drink. (Proverbs 4:17)

[Question] How did the proverb show, what these men feed upon?

- 16· Perverseness is in his heart. He is fabricating something bad all the time. He keeps sending out merely contentions. (Proverbs 6:14)

[Question] What did the proverb show, is in the hearts of wicked ones all the time?

- 17· Because the tyrant must reach his end, and the bragger must come to his finish, and all those keeping alert to do harm, must be cut off. (Isaiah 29:20)

[Question] What did Isaiah show, must come to an end?

- 18· Because the senseless one himself will speak mere senselessness, and his very heart will work at what is

hurtful, to work at apostasy, and to speak against Yehowah **what** is wayward, to cause the soul of the hungry one to go empty, and he causes even the thirsty one to go without drink itself. (**Isaiah 32:6**)

[Question] What will the senseless one speak, and what will his heart work at?

- 19· There is no one calling out in righteousness, and no one at all has gone to court in faithfulness. There has been a trusting in unreality, and a speaking of worthlessness. There has been a conceiving of trouble, and a bringing of **what** is hurtful to birth. (**Isaiah 59:4**)

[Question] How did Isaiah bear witness to the spiritual condition of his people then?

- 20· And as regards their works and their thoughts, I am coming, in order to collect all the nations and tongues together, and they will have to come and see my glory. (**Isaiah 66:18**)

[Question] Why did Yehowah God show, that he had come to collect nations and peoples together, and what would they come to see about him then?

- 21· Should one stay resentful to time indefinite, or keep watching something forever? Look! You have spoken, and you went on to do **bad** things and prevail. (**Jeremiah 3:5**)

[Question] What things had Israel contemplated, and then done?

- 22· For my people is foolish. Of me they have not taken note. They are unwise sons, and they are not those having understanding. Wise they are for doing **bad**, but for doing good, they actually have no knowledge. (**Jeremiah 4:22**)

[Question] Why were the people of Israel foolish, and whose sons did they not prove to be?

[Question] What were they wise for doing, and what did they not know?

- 23· Then he said to me; Son of man, these are the men that are **scheming** hurtfulness and advising **bad** counsel against this city. (**Ezekiel 11:2**)

[Question] What men were shown to Ezekiel by Yehowah God, and what were they doing toward Jerusalem?

- 24· **Look! The chieftains of Israel have proved to be in you, each one given over to his arm for the purpose of shedding blood. (Ezekiel 22:6)**

[Question] Who let Israel to shed blood in the land?

- 25· **You have depended upon YOUR sword. You have done a detestable thing, and YOU have defiled each one the wife of his companion. So should YOU possess the land? (Ezekiel 33:26)**

[Question] What things did Yehowah God call to their attention, as making them unworthy to continue in the Promised Land?

- 26· **As regards the tradesman, in his hand are the scales of deception, to defraud is what he has loved. (Hosea 12:7)**

[Question] How then did their tradesmen carry on their businesses?

- 27· **I said; Surely you will fear me, you will accept discipline, so that her dwelling might not be cut off, all that I must call to account against her. Truly they acted promptly in making all their dealings ruinous. (Zephaniah 3:7)**

[Question] What did Yehowah God feel that his covenant people would surely accept from him, to continue dwelling in the Promised Land?

[Question] Yet how did they actually act?