



#9 “Hungry for Justice”
The Vineyard Church of Conroe

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Sermon Outline Notes

The Prophetic Voice **REVEALS GOD’S TRUTH FOR THE**

PURPOSE OF RESTORING JUSTICE

“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? Isaiah 58:6-9

Our Hunger for Justice is fed **BY KNOWING GOD IS DOING**

HIS WILL NOW

But will be satisfied **WHEN JESUS COMES BACK TO SET ALL**

THINGS RIGHT

They are blessed who hunger and thirst after justice, for they will be satisfied. Matthew 5:6 NCV

I. Micah 7:1-6 - Micah’s Lament

¹ What misery is mine! I am like one who gathers summer fruit at the gleaning of the vineyard; there is no cluster of grapes to eat, none of the early figs that I crave. ² The faithful have been swept from the land; not one upright person remains...³ Both hands are skilled in doing evil; the ruler demands gifts, the judge accepts bribes, the powerful dictate what they desire—they all conspire together... ⁴ The day God visits you has come, the day your watchmen sound the alarm... ⁵ Do not trust a neighbor; put no confidence in a friend...

Our Hunger for Justice **IS INFLAMED IN LONELINESS,**

DEVASTATION, AND BETRAYAL

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 1 Corinthians 1:3-4

II. Micah 7:7-13 - Israel Will Rise

⁷ But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me. ⁸ Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the Lord will be my light. ⁹ Because I have sinned against him, I will bear the Lord's wrath, until he pleads my case and upholds my cause. He will bring me out into the light; I will see his righteousness. ¹⁰ Then my enemy will see it and will be covered with shame, she who said to me, "Where is the Lord your God?" My eyes will see her downfall; even now she will be trampled underfoot like mire in the streets... ¹² In that day people will come to you from Assyria and the cities of Egypt, even from Egypt to the Euphrates and from sea to sea and from mountain to mountain. ¹³ The earth will become desolate because of its inhabitants, as the result of their deeds.

Our Hunger for Justice IS QUIETED BY HOPE, EXPECTANCY, AND VISION

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

III. Micah 7:14-20 - Prayer and Praise

¹⁴ Shepherd your people with your staff, the flock of your inheritance, which lives by itself in a forest...¹⁵ "As in the days when you came out of Egypt, I will show them my wonders."... they will turn in fear to the Lord our God and will be afraid of you. ¹⁸ Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. ¹⁹ You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. ²⁰ You will be faithful to Jacob, and show love to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our ancestors in days long

ago.

Our Hunger for Justice IS SATIATED BY GRATITUDE,

WORSHIP, AND REMEMBRANCE

For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come. ¹⁵ Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name. ¹⁶ And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God. Hebrews 12:14-16 NLT