

#7 "Idols of Injustice"

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Sermon Outline Notes

The Prophetic Voice REVEALS GOD'S TRUTH FOR THE

PURPOSE OF RESTORING JUSTICE

My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

Jeremiah 2:13

Idolatry is <u>PUTTING OUR HOPE IN ANYTHING OTHER THAN</u> GOD

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

John 4:13-14

I. Micah 5:10-11

¹⁰ "In that day," declares the Lord, "I will destroy your horses from among you and demolish your chariots. ¹¹ I will destroy the cities of your land and tear down all your strongholds.

Our Idol of Peace is <u>DOMINATION BY FORCE AND SAFETY</u> THROUGH OUR CONTROL

Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ²⁶ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— ²⁸ just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 20:25-28

II. Micah 5:12-14

¹² I will destroy your witchcraft and you will no longer cast spells. ¹³ I will destroy your idols and your sacred stones from among you; you will no longer bow down to the work of your hands. ¹⁴ I will uproot from among you your Asherah poles when I demolish your cities.

Our Idol of Happiness is <u>JUSTIFICATION OF SELFISHNESS</u> THROUGH MANIPULATION, DECEPTION, AND SENSUALITY

"And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ⁷ And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Matthew 6:5-8

III. Micah 5:15

¹⁵ I will take vengeance in anger and wrath on the nations that have not obeyed me."

Our God of Justice WILL ACT RIGHTEOUSLY TO RESTORE WHOLENESS TO HIS PEOPLE

"This, then, is how you should pray: "'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. Matthew 6:9-13