**Micah**

*Never Lose Hope*

*Micah 7*

State of the Nation (v 1-6)

* Godly people cannot be found (v 2)
* All leaders are corrupt (v 3)
* No one can be trusted (v 5-6)

The Response of the Christian (v 7-10)

* We will wait for God (v 7)
* The Lord shall be our light (v 8)
* I deserve the indignation of the Lord (v 9)
* I will behold His righteousness (v 9)

The Hope in God

* Near Term Hope (v 11-14)
  + “….the decree be far removed” may refer to the decree of Artaxerxes, forbidding and hindering the rebuilding of the city: but if the phrase "far removed" signifies its being divulged and spread far abroad, as it is interpreted by some; then it may refer to the decree of Cyrus for rebuilding the city and temple; and which was revived and confirmed by Darius Hystaspis, and by Darius Longimanus, and which was published everywhere; and by means of which the Jews from all parts were encouraged to come up to their own land.
* Millennial Hope (v 14-17)
* Who is like our God? (v 18)
* He will have compassion (v 19)
* He will forgive us (v 19)
* He will peform His promises (v 20)