

Title: No Fishing Allowed

Text: Micah

Takeaway: Don't pick up what Jesus came to nail down.

.The **problem** with God's people: *Micah 1:7, Micah 3:1-4, Micah 3:5-7.*

- A. They lived as though there were no **consequences** to their sin.
- B. Idolatry, Corruption, and False prophets.
- C. *"Yet they look for the LORD's support and say, "Is not the LORD among us? No disaster will come upon us." Micah 3:11 NIV*

.The **conviction** of God's people

- A. *"My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me. I brought you up out of Egypt and redeemed you from the land of slavery. I sent Moses to lead you, also Aaron and Miriam." Micah 6:3-4 NIV*
- B. They forgot the deeds of the Lord. Ref. Psalm 77:11-12

.The **response** of God's people:

- A. *"Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" Micah 6:7*
- B. Right motivation, wrong sacrifice.

.The **practice** of God's people: Micah 6:8 NIV

- A. *To act justly:* To be fair and honest in every situation.
- B. *To love mercy:* Not getting what you do deserve.
- C. *To walk humbly:* Not thinking too highly of yourself.

.The **promise** to God's people

- A. *"You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea." Micah 7:19 NIV*
- B. "Tashlikh": A ceremony performed "to cast off" sins.