CORRUPT LEADERS

Introduction

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV) says "Where there is no vision, the people perish; but he that keepeth the law, happy is he." Leaders have the opportunity to emulate justice. But what happens when leadership fails to pursue justice ? In today's lesson, Micah (a pre-exile prophet to Judah), challenges the leaders of Israel regarding their leadership failures.

Aim for Change

During today's lesson, you will:

- Know God's requirements for leaders
- Know God's requirements for people
- Value justice, kindness, and humility
- Decide to be just, kind, and humble

Scripture

(KJV) Micah 3:1-3, 9-12; 6:6-8



About Today's Lesson...

In today's world, it is often difficult to find "good" leadership. Many of today's leaders seem more concerned about themselves and their own prosperity rather than the heartfelt and real needs of the people they serve. And as a result of their flawed leadership goals and tactics, the world community suffers many hardships including (but not limited to) economic downfalls, oppression (in many forms), racial and ethnic division, and educational inequalities.

During the time of Micah's prophecy, the leaders of the nations of Israel and Judah had engaged in many sinful acts that displeased God and the people. As these leaders sought to boost their respective economies (in order to ready themselves for any foreign conflict), they did so in immoral ways that were contrary to God's instructions. While still acknowledging their dependence on God, these leaders remained cynical to righteousness. We examine Micah's warnings and prophecy to these leaders in today's lesson.

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