

## 5. Micah 5:1-15

Prayer: Heavenly Father, You rule the earth. The nations plan against You and Your people, but You win the victory. You sent Your Son to save us and rule us. Let us be strong witnesses and share Your life with them. We pray in Jesus' name, amen.

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Micah 5:1-5a. The new Ruler from long ago.

- Enemies will strike (hit) the judge (ruler) of Israel on the cheek with a stick. There are two meanings, one soon and one later. What are they?
  1. Soon... (see 2 Chronicles 36:17-20)
  2. Later... (see Matthew 27:27-30)
- Verses 2-4 describe a new ruler for Israel.
  1. He will be born in \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. He is really from the distant \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. He will be a \_\_\_\_\_ of His flock.
  4. People will live in safety because His greatness will reach all the \_\_\_\_\_.

Micah 5:5b-9. Victory!

- Assyria is the mighty enemy and no one can defeat them. In the future, Assyria will be so weak, seven \_\_\_\_\_ and eight \_\_\_\_\_ can defeat Assyria.
- Where will the few people (the remnant) of Jacob be?
  1. They will be among many people, like dew from the Lord. That means they will be a ble\_ \_ \_ \_ to the people.
  2. They will be among the nations. They will be like a \_\_\_\_\_ among animals. That means they will rule.
  3. God's people will be among all nations. This also means that God will save people from every nation.

Micah 5:10-15. A new day to worship God alone.

- Who is God talking to? Israel or Assyria?
- God will defend His people. That is why He will defeat Assyria. But will God let Israel do whatever they want? What do these verses say?