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Worship Service
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Vintage Christmas

Rediscover the Timeless Hope of Jesus

Lesson Three • Micah 5:2-5

O Little Town of Bethlehem

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The hope of Jesus comes as a great RULER from the little town of Bethlehem.

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for Me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Micah 5:2

The Connection Between Bethlehem and Jesus

The religious leaders and people knew that Micah PREDICTED the Messiah's birth in Bethlehem (*Matthew 2:1-6*).

A Great Ruler from a Little Town

1. Bethlehem Is a Little Town PRAISED by God! *Micah 5:2*

A Little Town of Divine Praise

The greatest PRAISE gathering in the history of the world took place in the little town of Bethlehem when Jesus was born (*Luke 2:1-20*).

Lessons from a Little Town

- God always KEEPS His promises.
- God delights to use the UNLIKELY to better display His glory.
- The true HOPE of Christ-followers lies in God's sovereign grace.

2. Jesus Is a Great Ruler PROMISED by God! *Micah 5:2-5*

A Great Ruler Promised

- This promised Ruler is great in His DIVINITY.
- This promised Ruler is great in His MINISTRY.
- This promised Ruler is great in His AUTHORITY.

Is Jesus Your Ruler?

The issue is not merely whether Jesus is a great ruler over Israel, but whether Jesus is a great ruler over your life.

The question is: Have you bowed your knee to Him in worship and confessed Him as your King?

Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9-11