

Walk Humbly with God



Micah 6:1–8 · This week: He Delighteth in Mercy, Micah; Nahum; Habakkuk; Zephaniah

In the manual: **Come, Follow Me** lesson 49, “He Delighteth in Mercy,” on Gospel Library

START

In Micah 6, the Lord takes his people to court. The mountains are the jury, and the Lord asks, “O my people, what have I done unto thee?” (Micah 6:1–3).

READ TOGETHER

The Lord reminded Israel that he had brought them out of Egypt and sent them Moses, Aaron, and Miriam (Micah 6:4). Then the people asked what offering could ever make things right (Micah 6:6).

MICAH 6:6–8

⁶Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? ⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? ⁸He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

WHAT IT TEACHES

The offers keep getting bigger. First come calves, then thousands of rams, then “ten thousands of rivers of oil,” and at last even a firstborn child (Micah 6:6–7). None of it could take the place of what the Lord was asking for.

“He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do

justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?” (verse 8). The Lord asks for a way of living, every day of the week.

Elder Dale G. Renlund explained how the three parts fit together. “To do justly means acting honorably with God and with other people. We act honorably with God by walking humbly with Him. We act honorably with others by loving mercy.”

Elder Dale G. Renlund, “Do Justly, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly with God,” General conference, October 2020

The Savior lived all three. He treated people fairly, he forgave freely, and in Gethsemane he prayed, “not my will, but thine, be done” (Luke 22:42).

TALK ABOUT IT

Which one is hardest for you right now, doing justly, loving mercy, or walking humbly with God? What is one way to practice it tomorrow?

TAKE TO CHURCH

Israel wondered whether rivers of oil would please the Lord. He asked them to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with their God.