

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

## Micah 4

**Ice Breaker:** What's an evidence of God's grace you've seen this week?

**Ice Breaker:** What does the perfectly peaceful day look like for you (in real life and in your wildest dreams)?

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. **Read Micah 4:** What stands out to you in this text? What words or phrases are repeated? What images or word pictures do we see in the text?
2. What does Micah mean when he says the "mountain of the house of the Lord" in verse 1? What is happening at the mountain and why does that matter?
3. Why is it good news that this mountain is the highest mountain? What does this mean for us who worship this God? How might this change or reorient our hearts?
4. In verse 3-5, peace is promised to those who worship God. Is it hard to believe in peace in this day and age? What things in your life try to zap your peace? How do you stay grounded and confident in the Lord each and every day?
5. What hope is given to the Israelites in verses 6-10? Why is this particularly "hopeful" news for them? How does this influence our own hope today?
6. Hope for the New Jerusalem and the Forever King is seen in Micah 4. Do you think about the New Heavens and Earth? Do certain situations make you think of that day more than others? What practical things can you do to encourage yourself or someone you know to have a "second-coming-of Christ" mindset?
7. The end of Micah 4 talks about God's coming judgment on those who refused the Lord. How does Jesus take that punishment or "trampling" for us? How does this relate to Genesis 3? How are we protected from that punishment?

**Practical Application:** Hope and longing to be with Christ can be particularly seen in older generations of Christians. Find an older Christian and ask them to share about the "nearness" of being with Christ and how that influences their walk with the Lord now. – OR – If you are an older Christian, find a younger person to share how you are influenced by the "nearness" of being with Christ today. (Try to do this within 2 weeks.)