



## Sermon Discussion Questions

I've Seen Better Days // Micah 4:6-5:6

- When have you faced disappointment after working hard to achieve a goal or dream?
- When has God done something unexpected for your good?
- Pastor Jeff said our deliverer is not going to come from a place of power. Then why do we always look to centers of power to deliver us?
- It's tempting for us to interpret events as if we know what God is doing. How could we better focus on what we know is true of God and his character?
- In Micah 4:9 God points out that we tend to rely on our own power instead of his. Why are we tempted to figure it out ourselves *before* we turn to God?
- How would facing this crisis in light of God increase our confidence in what God is doing?
- What situations or crises call you to cry out "How long, O Lord?"
- There's a path from suffering to hope. How has suffering in your life produced perseverance and hope?

- Micah points to the coming of the Son of God as the source of our ultimate hope. Unlike Micah's hearers, we live on the opposite side of the coming of God's Son. How does Jesus give you practical hope right now?
- Pastor Jeff called our current experience "Sisyphean" in its redundancy and ineffectiveness. How does Jesus reverse that for you, in light of what Paul writes in 2nd Corinthians 4:16-18?
- How does God need to diminish your reliance on yourself so you can grow in reliance on him?

