



## Sermon Discussion Questions

Truth, Justice, and Power // Micah 3:1-12

- Jeff said we all seek power (or authority). Do you agree? Is that necessarily a bad thing? How can power or authority be good? What are ways it can go wrong?
- Read Micah 3:1-4, 9-10. Micah uses startling images of savagery and cruelty in describing the leaders of Judah. How is it possible for us to do great wrongs and yet not see ourselves as evildoers?
- Jeff suggested that the leaders had compartmentalized God so that he only cared about the “religious” part of their lives and wasn’t part of economic, financial, social or relational lives. Have you ever had the realization that you’d done that with God? What helped you see that that, and how did you change as a result?
- Read Micah 3:5-7, 11. How were the religious leaders were part of the injustices in society? In what parts of your life do you only want to hear God’s encouragement and blessing, but not his challenge or correction? Are there parts of God’s word that you don’t like or don’t like to hear?
- How do Christians compromise our witness for Christ in our lives, in ignoring or emphasizing certain parts of the Bible, or in selectively applying God’s word to ourselves and others?

- Read Micah 3:8. How is Micah different from the people around him? What would/does that look like in your life?
- Read Micah 3:12. God warns that he will tear down his own holy mountain because of his people's sins. Why would he do such a thing? What is his ultimate goal in bringing judgment? Are there warnings from this section of Micah that God is pointing out to you in your life?

