

**Route 66**  
**The Prophecy of Micah**

I. Introduction

- A. The covenant of marriage

II. Proposition

- A. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength.

III. Exposition

A. **The Lord God displayed His love for Israel by electing Israel and covenanting to be their God (1:1-5).**

1. Genesis 12:1-3; 15
2. Deuteronomy 7:6-11

B. **Israel rejected God's love by profaning the covenant with the Lord God (1:6-2:16).**

1. The priests profaned the sacrifices (1:6-2:9).
  - a. The Lord God is a jealous God (1:11).
  - b. The covenant with Levi (2:4-6)
  - c. What a priest should do (2:7).
  - d. Charges against the priests (2:8-9).
2. The people profaned the covenant (2:10-16).
  - a. Idolatry through intermarriage (2:10-12).
  - b. Profaned the marriage covenant (2:13-16).
  - c. Jesus: Matthew 5:31-32; 19:4-9

C. **The Lord God will judge all covenant breakers (2:17-3:5).**

1. The Lord will send a messenger to prepare the way (2:17-3:3; also 4:5).
  - a. Isaiah 40:3-5
2. The Lord will judge all covenant breakers (3:6-15).

D. **The Lord God who is unchanging calls for repentance and promises blessing (3:6-15).**

1. The Lord God is unchanging (3:6).
2. Call for repentance (3:7-15).

E. **There is a Day of the Lord coming in which He will reward the repentant righteous and condemn the wicked (3:16-4:5).**

1. It will be a day of great wrath (4:1-3).
2. The righteous are charged to keep the law (4:4).
3. The Lord will prepare His people for that day (4:5).
  - a. Luke 1: 76-79; 3:1-6
  - b. Matthew 11:7-15

IV. Conclusion

- A. At the end of the minor prophets, the hope for a restored temple is empty.
- B. The hope for a rebuilt city is empty.
- C. The hope for a renewed people led by a Davidic King is empty.