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Micah 7:1-2, "<sup>1</sup>Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapegleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit. <sup>2</sup>The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net."

Micah felt like he was at harvest time and gathering the summer fruits and grapes, but yet there was nothing to eat. He felt this way concerning the faithful people of the LORD. He said the good man is perished out of the earth.

He goes on to say that all the leaders were corrupt and he could not trust in a friend nor even his wife. He talks of how children were dishonoring their parents.

Certainly Micah felt he had no where to turn. With all the evil and sin so open in the world, and perhaps even among those closest to us, where can we turn? Micah says in Micah 7:7, "*Therefore I will look* 

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unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me?

I know with all the news and media we see that it's easy to feel like Micah. We feel all the righteous have gone from the earth and we are starving for spiritual things. We feel alone.

Elijah felt the same when he fled from the threats of Jezebel. He said he was alone. The last part of I Kings 19:14 says, ". . .*and I, even I* only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away." But, he was not alone. The LORD told Elijah in I Kings 19:18, "Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him." In the very next verse Elijah departed and found Elisha who would be with him in the LORD's work until the very moment that Elijah went to Heaven in a whirlwind.

Elijah was not alone nor was Micah. We are not alone either. We might feel overwhelmed with all the evil we see in the world. It seems there is no good remaining whatsoever, but there is. We need to turn to the LORD. Psalms 121:1, "*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.*"

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Titus 1:2, "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began."

As we who are older draw nearer toward end of our time here, we take great comfort in the wonderful thoughts of eternal life. The Bible has much to say about the life of the saved after this life. Revelation talks about the wonders and glories of Heaven. We are told of a home with the LORD where there is no pain nor tears. A place where we will be eternally.

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—Continue to remember Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry. Herbert Franklin, the father of Stewart, had to be taken to the hospital in Glasgow this past Monday. He had become

unresponsive. Doctors think he had a mild stroke. He is home and doing quite well now.

—Thanks to all who came to our 7:30 a.m. service last Sunday morning. We had an early service in addition to our normal time so all those traveling with the band could catch the bus. They arrived home Friday. **A Ruby Edwards** has been traveling to Arkansas and arrived home last night.

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These promises are not only true, but they cannot be wrong. Paul told Titus that God cannot lie and that eternal life was promised before the world began.

God is indeed all powerful but we are told that it is impossible for Him to lie. Hebrews 6:18, "*That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us.*" We can lay hold upon the hope of eternal life because we know that the LORD promised it and it is impossible for Him to lie.

I take great comfort in this and the knowledge that Heaven is indeed there waiting for the faithful. We all have been disappointed in this life when something did not come to pass. We have had things or circumstances pass from us and feel the discouragement.

With Heaven it is impossible for that hope to be wrong and not be there for us. The only way we will miss out on Heaven is if we fail to obey the LORD and remain faithful to Him.

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Sunday, April 2, 2017		
Classes	19	Colossians 1:18-22
Preaching	26	II Timothy 4:1-8; Revelation 3:11
Contribution	\$650.75	
Evening	12	Singing (Psalm 113:1-9)
Wednesday, April 5, 2017		
Classes	n/a	remote service due to severe weather
Visitors— Apr 2 (AM) Mia Gladden (Hardyville, KY) Apr 2 (PM) Beulah Baker (Hammonsville, KY)		

Bible Quiz

Jesus warned to let no man take what?

Last Week's Answer—Gabriel (Daniel 9:21)

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The promises of Heaven are wonderful. It's a place we all want to be and with each sunset, we are one day closer. I can know from the precious words of the Bible that the LORD's promise is sure. I know that Heaven is there waiting for us. The LORD promised. He promised before the world began.

-Marty Edwards \*

## -God's Plan of Salvation-

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
- 2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
- 3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
- 5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
- 6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)