

Watch in Hope for the Lord

(Micah 7:1-7; 1 Peter 1:3-13)

A painting of a lone tree in a field under a textured, yellowish-green sky. The tree is in the lower right quadrant, with its branches reaching out. The ground is a mix of brown and green, suggesting a field or meadow. The sky is a mottled, textured yellow-green, with some darker spots and a small white mark in the upper right corner.

Micah

Main point

**Set your hope in Christ
over everything and
in the midst of everything**

Micah

Hope in the Lord

⁷ But as for me, I watch in hope
for the LORD, I wait for God
my Savior; my God will hear
me. (Micah 7:7)

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Jesus told his disciples

³⁴ “Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to turn

‘a man against his father,

a daughter against her mother,

a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law—

³⁶ a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.’

(Matthew 10:34-36)

Micah

Hope that is “living” because salvation is *present*

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has
given us new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ
from the dead,

(1 Peter 1:3)

Micah

Hope that watches and waits because salvation is *coming*

¹³ Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

(1 Peter 1:13)

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The image features a textured, yellowish-green background with a mottled, painterly appearance. A small, dark silhouette of a tree is positioned on the right side, standing on a dark, textured ground. The word "Micah" is written in a black, cursive script in the bottom right corner.

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