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## **Discussion Questions**

### **Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

According to these verses, in what four ways is God's Word useful/profitable?

What does each of these mean? (teaching, rebuking, correcting, training in righteousness)

Read Micah 7:8-20, as you read it, try to pick out which parts teach, rebuke, correct, and train in righteousness.

Training in righteousness means that God is disciplining us to help us grow as Christians. How is this portrayed in verses 8-10?

In what ways has God been using hard things or His Word to train you in righteousness recently?

Correcting means that God's Word doesn't just accuse us of sin and leave us ashamed and guilty, but it picks us up and sets us right. How is this portrayed in verses 11-13?

What was God's plan for His people (Genesis 12:3) and how is that plan being worked out in these verses?

Have you experienced God's correction? Can you share a time when God's Word has picked you up out of your guilt and shame and set you right?

Teaching means explaining the Truth about who God is, what He has done, and who we are as a result. How is this portrayed in verses 14-15?

God responds to Micah's plea in verse 15 and talks about the Exodus. How is the Exodus relevant to the problems of God's people in Micah's context? What is the equivalent for us today?

How has the teaching of God's Word shaped your life, helped you through hard times, encouraged you, strengthened you not to sin, or helped you love God more?

Rebuking means calling out sin and telling you to change. How is that portrayed in verses 16-17, and other places in this passage?

If you're comfortable sharing this, share a time when God's Word has rebuked your sin and convicted

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you to change.

All of this can be very academic, but we should be amazed by God's grace and love that He provided to us in His Word, which teaches us about Him, rebukes our sin, corrects us so we can live right, and trains us to grow in our faith and love for Him. We should be able to say verses 18-20 and mean them. Is this true of you? Is your heart glad for God's Word, or is it cold towards it? Why do you think your heart is where it is? What makes the difference? How can we help each other grow in this area?