

## O Little Town of Bethlehem

Series - The Songs of Christmas  
- Micah 5:1-5 -

### 1. Jesus Would Be Born in an \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things —and the things that are not —to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before Him. (1 Cor. 1:26-29)*

### 2. Jesus Would Change the World in an \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now He has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in His sight, without blemish and free from accusation — if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. (Colossians 1:21-23)*

#### Application Questions. . .

1. What especially spoke to you in this message?
2. What good things have come to you in small packages?
3. In Micah 5, compare the hopelessness in vs. 1 with the security and peace in vss. 4-5. What does that contrast mean?
4. What makes you feel like a "besieged city, or a secure flock? What "rules" you in each case?
5. In vs. 4 the promised ruler will be born in Bethlehem (Jesus). How has His greatness reached the ends of the earth? List as many ways as you can.
6. In I Cor. 1, what do you think Paul means when he says that the foolish and lowly things will shame the wise and strong? How does your own life reflect this?
7. Re-read Col. 1:21-23. What especially stands out to you? How does it bring reassurance to you of God's forgiveness and love?

