



## Small group discussion questions July/August 2015

### Chapter & verse – Susan Durber (p22)

Read Micah 7:13 and 19, followed by Susan Durber’s article.

1. What do you think are the most important challenges facing humankind?
2. In her first two paragraphs, Susan describes her changing attitude to climate change. How would you describe your attitude? What makes you feel the way you do?
3. Susan says in paragraph four, “Prophets like Micah knew, with a deep wisdom and in a very different context from ours, that there is a connection between human behaviour and the natural world.” How do you think that connection manifested itself?
4. “But the earth will be desolate because of its inhabitants, for the fruit of their doings.” (7:13) What do you think this verse meant to its first readers? Does it mean the same thing to us today, or something different?
5. In paragraph five, Susan says that Micah “saw clearly that human beings will only flourish in solidarity with creation”. What does solidarity with creation mean in practice?
6. In the same paragraph, Susan talks about the possibility of renewal. What form would that take, and how would it come?
7. At the end of this paragraph, Susan describes her personal response to this narrative of destruction and renewal. How do you respond to it?
8. Susan quotes Micah 6:8 in the last two paragraphs. What do justice, kindness and humility have to do with climate change?

