*Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers’ Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.*

Lesson n. 05 27 July – 02 Agosto 2019

Title: The Cry of the Prophets

*Key texts: Michea 6:8; Amos 5:10-15; Ezechiele 16:49; Isaia 1:15-23; 1 Samuele 1:8-18; Genesi 19:1.13;*

A. Themes to Explore:

1. The prophets were distinct voices crying to corrupt and idolatrous men and women to return to justice, compassion and faithfulness.
2. The poor, the humble, the least and those who have been defrauded are always held in God’s attention and upheld in the message of the prophets.
3. Consequently their words were harsh and condemning for those who were rich exploiters, unjust fraudulent and egoistic.

**B. Teaching Suggestions**

1. Discuss in your group how important it is for individual believers and the church as a whole to be attentive to justice and at the service of those who are in need, the least.

**C. Other possible questions for deeper study, debate, sharing and testimony**

1. From the messages of the prophets listed in the lesson, which has particularly caught your attention?
2. What place should attention to the needs of the poor, oppressed and least have in our lives and the mission of the church? How can we put this into practice?
3. Why are these harsh warnings directed in particular to the rich, to political leaders and the religious? What does this teach the poor?
4. Read Micah 6:8 – how can we as a church and as a group make this essential message our own?

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Standard Questions to Help Facilitate Group Discussion:

1. Why is this lesson important to me? What new things have I discovered?

2. What is not clear to me and what else is there still to learn from God’s Word?

3. Where and how can I practice what I’ve learned from God’s Word?

4. How can I begin to apply what I have learned from God’s Word and communicate it to others?