

Scripture

Micah 5:2-5a (NLT)

A Ruler from Bethlehem

**5.2 *But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
are only a small village among all the
people of Judah.***

***Yet a ruler of Israel,
whose origins are in the distant past,
will come from you on my behalf.***

**5.3 *The people of Israel will be abandoned to
their enemies until the woman in labor
gives birth.***

***Then at last his fellow countrymen
will return from exile to their own land.***

**5.4 *And he will stand to lead his flock
with the Lord's strength,
in the majesty of the name of
the Lord his God.***

***Then his people will live there undisturbed,
for he will be highly honored around
the world.***

5.5 *And he will be the source of peace.*