

The beginning of Verse 4 is probably also a description of what Christ did in His earthly life and what He is doing during the present age, although it will be even more fully exemplified in what He will do in the Millennium. "He shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God." This word "feed" here would be better translated "shepherd." It is a transitive verb which means to feed sheep. He gives His teachings to His disciples. He feeds His people in this age. Eventually He will shepherd all the world as its king.

"And they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth." Here we look forward to the establishment of the kingdom described in Micah 4:1-4, when His power will be established over all the world.

The first phrase in Verse 5 completes the picture. "And this man shall be the peace." Jesus Christ is our peace as we are saved through Him and we find the peace of God in our hearts because He died to make peace for us.

After this phrase there is a sharp break. A new section of the book begins in the last part of this verse.

Micah tells us that a period of peace is coming, but he ends the passage by pointing out that this peace is not an abstract thing. It comes through a man. There is no peace without the Prince of Peace.

No matter what happens in this wicked world we can have the Prince of Peace in our hearts right now. Thank God, this whole earth will some day enjoy its millennial age of peace and universal happiness, ~~when the Prince of Peace~~ when Jesus Christ the Son of God returns to reign.