

LIVING IT OUT

Fortnight starting Sunday 4 October

This fortnight is about the exploration of what justice is to us as Jesus' disciple; why it is so central to our discipleship (it's always been at the centre of God's character); and how it needs to come from seeing, thinking and feeling like Jesus, not to just 'do more'. This exploration will result in us reflecting on where we sit with this and asking for Jesus to move us to better reflect His heart for the world.

READ

- Transcript of Scott's message
 - Click here to download the PDF
 - Click here to watch the sermon on YouTube [available from Tuesday 6 October]
 - Click here to listen to the Podcast [available from Tuesday 6 October]
- Leviticus 24:22
- Deuteronomy 24:14-15
- Psalms 68:5-6
- Proverbs 31:8-9
- Isaiah 58:6-7
- Jeremiah 22:3
- Amos 8:5-6
- Micah 6:8
- Zechariah 7:9-10
- Romans 1:24-29
- Corinthians 5:21
- Galatians 3:13
- 1 John 3:16
- James 2:14-17

REFLECT

- (1) Our message this fortnight showed us God's heart has always been for justice. "All people bear the image of God, and should be treated with the same image-bearing dignity. This was a radical thought in Jesus' time." When has someone valued and loved you in a way that reminded you of Jesus? What did they do? Who in your life needs to hear that they are made in God's image, are loved and valued?
- (2) In our Reset series we defined discipleship as "Discipleship is your life is being renewed with Jesus, for Jesus and through Jesus." How do you see we can contend for justice:
 - With Jesus?
 - For Jesus?
 - Through Jesus?
- (3) As Scott said, "We are not saved by doing justice. Rather a life dedicated to biblical justice is the inevitable sign that your heart is aligned with God. And it looks like something." How does this sit with you? Do you feel your discipleship is intrinsically connected to acts of justice? Be real and honest with God and let Him move you into a time of prayer asking for His heart for others and for the world, and asking for a fresh revelation of God's love for you and for others.

Share your thoughts with one or two people who can keep you on track. If you have any questions, please email us at careegrlc.org.au

PRAY

Fill me with gratitude for the cross. God, give me a fresh revelation of your heart so that I can know the depth of your love for me. Open the eyes of my heart to see, think and feel as You do.

You can also <u>download our helpful prayer resource</u>, and pray with us each day this fortnight for justice: *the world just as it ought to be*.

RESOURCES

Check out Tim Keller's article: "A Biblical Critique of Secular Justice and Critial Theory."