

DO JUSTICE

JUSTICE BEGINS IN AND WITH GOD

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. —Psalm 89:14

Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. —Amos 5:24

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; justice and peace will kiss. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and justice will look down from the sky. —Psalm 85:10-11 (adapted)

JUSTICE TRANSFORMS THE STATUS QUO (or the world as we know it)

... learn to do good, seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. —Isaiah 1:17

JUSTICE SUSTAINS AND ESTABLISHES A WAY OF BEING

He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. —Isaiah 9:7

When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but dismay to evildoers. —Proverbs 21:15

WE SEEK JUSTICE

... and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? —Micah 6:8b



"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." —Matthew 5:6

JUSTICE OVERCOMES

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation, for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. —Isaiah 51:4-5

But as for you, return to your God, hold fast to love and justice, and wait continually for your God. —Hosea 12:6

He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth. —Isaiah 42:4a

JUSTICE RENEWS AND RESTORES

For I the Lord love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their [reward], and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. —Isaiah 61:8

"You will find the words righteousness and justice used interchangeably in the Hebrew Scriptures. The Greek word for righteousness (dikaiosynē) was often used to translate the Hebrew words for justice (tsedeq or tsedaqah) in these texts.

