

Biblical Justice (A)

The Justice Series – Part 1

Scripture text – various

Introduction

- It's time for us to grapple with this issue as a _____
_____.

Preliminaries

1. It's called the *Justice Series* because _____ justice is just one aspect of justice.
2. The series is expected to last _____ weeks.
3. This will be a _____, not expositional series.
4. You will likely hear things that _____ you.
5. We're aiming for _____.

The Foundational Truth

- Justice is an _____ of God. He not only acts justly himself, but requires _____ to do likewise.
- Trying to act justly without regard to God is not only _____, but _____.

A God of Justice

- God has many attributes. They are typically divided into 2 categories:
 - a. *Incommunicable attributes* are attributes that God _____ possesses.
 - b. *Communicable attributes* are attributes that we _____ with God to a lesser degree.
- Justice is a _____ attribute of God.
- God _____ himself to be a God of justice (Isaiah 30:18). Justice is something he _____ (Isaiah 61:8).

Doing Justice

- God expresses his justice in 2 major ways. The first is by _____ wrongdoing. This is called _____ justice.
 - We see this in the _____ pages of the Bible.
 - It is also a _____, ongoing activity of God.
 - It will culminate in a _____ judgment.
 - The Bible always emphasizes the _____ of God's justice.
 - God's retributive justice is a _____ thing.

- God also expresses his justice by _____ the harm caused by wrongdoing. This is called _____ justice.
 - This was part of Christ's work on the _____.
 - It is also a continual work of God through the _____.
 - It will culminate in creation of the _____.
 - The Bible describes the new heaven & new earth as the place where _____ dwells (II Peter 3:13).

Next week: The 4 facets of biblical justice