

Message Notes

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The Vineyard
1 Kings 21:1-29
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Elijah was an _____ man with _____ faith (and so was _____).

The Root of Injustice

A battle between the K.O.W & K.O.G., between _____ & _____ .

(Gen 3:6, Ex 1:8-14, 20:17, Lev 25, Num 36:7-9, Isa 5:8, Lk 12:15 // Gen 1:26-28, Gen 2:15, Gen 12:1-3, Jer 29:7, Psalm 80:8-11, Mt 28:19, Jn 15:5)

We are tempted to _____ what is not ours rather than _____ what we have received.

_____ is at the root of injustice. (Lk 12:16-21)

*You are always righteous, Lord, yet I would speak with You about Your justice:
Why does the way of the wicked prosper?*

Jeremiah 12:1

Justice & The Heart Of God

_____ Injustice

(Gen 6:5-6, Ex 3:9, Deut 26:12, Ps 10:17)

_____ Injustice

(Ex 14:13-14, Lev 19:15, Mt 25:31-40, Jn 8:2-10)

_____ Injustice

(Isa 53:7-10, Mt 26-27, Jn 18-19, Phil 2:6-8)

Justice & The Church Of God

(Hab 1:13, Psalms 94:3, Rom 12:15-18)

(Isa 1:17, Zech 7:9-10, 1Jn 3:17-18, Amos 5:24)

_____ Self-Sacrificially

(Jn 13:1-17, 34-35, Jn 15:12, 1Jn 4:10-12)

*When I tried to understand all this, it troubled me deeply until I entered the
sanctuary of God, then I understood.*

Psalm 73:16-17

The Gift of Repentance

The free choice to _____ in Jesus rather than this world & _____ the K.O.G on earth.

Next Step:

Three Questions To Reflect On When Experiencing Injustice

1. What is God going to do in the end?

This life is temporary. While that doesn't make it easy, it may make it easier. Your life is a blip stretching into eternity. This life is not all there is. Say it again. This life is not all there is.

2. What is God going to do through the suffering?

More than anyone else, God has the unique and uncanny ability to use evil and injustice against itself weaving it into a tapestry of beauty at times and over time. And so, we watch for the evidence of this at work and we join in cultivating it wherever we can.

3. What is God doing or trying to do in me right now?

Suffering and injustice can make us or break us. It can bring us into a mature freedom we never thought was possible or it can devastate and crush us. It's a matter of what we do with it.

What is the next small thing God is asking you to do? Even though you walk through the valley of the shadow of death, He is with you. Keep moving forward with Him, and with others, He will be faithful to meet you in every step along the way.

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