BIBLICAL JUSTICE A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF MICAH

"Obligation"

MICAH 6:1-16

All have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God.



⁹ What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, ¹⁰ as it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; " no one understands; no one seeks for God.¹² All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one." ...

Romans 3:9-18

...¹³ "Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive." "The venom of asps is under their lips." 14 "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness." 15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood; ¹⁶ in their paths are ruin and misery, ¹⁷ and the way of peace they have not known." 18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Romans 3:9-18

"This is not the state of white men; it is the state of all men. As such, the idea that there is a special knowledge or revelation available to some [called ethnic Gnosticism] and hidden from others by virtue of their race or position in the oppressor/oppressed scheme in unthinkable and unbiblical."



Voddie Baucham, Fault Lines

- 1. 1st sermon A Just God Will Come (Chapters 1-2)
 - A. Condemnation (Chapter 1)
 - B. Culmination (Chapter 2)
- 2. 2nd sermon A Restorative God Will Come (Chapters 3-5)
 - A. Accusation (Chapter 3)
 - B. Dominion (Chapter 4)
 - C. Champion (Chapter 5)
- 3. 3rd sermon A Repenting People Is Needed (Chapters 6-7)

How Does Micah Address Justice?

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- 1. Is God impressed with the quality of my sacrifice? (vs. 6)
- 2. Is God impressed with the quantity of my sacrifice? (vs. 7a)
- 3. Is God impressed with the nature of my sacrifice (vs. 7b)
- 4. Does God want me to do justice? (vs. 8a)
- 5. Does God want me to be merciful? (vs. 8b)
- 6. Does God want me to be humble? (vs. 8c)

Questions to Ask

I. The Nation Is Indicted (vs. 1-5).

II. The Spokesman Is Heard (vs. 6-8).

III. The Judge Gives the <u>Sentence</u> (vs. 9-16).

"Simply put, God's wrath is His absolute detestation of all sin and His rightful judgment of it wherever it is found. It is the necessary response of his fierce anger against all that is contrary to His holy nature. It is His expressed displeasure and righteous indignation...



Steve Lawson, Made In Our Image

"...against all evil. It is the holiness of God stirred into action against sin."



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"...the thing that would be morally doubtful would be for him not to show his wrath in this way. God is not justthat is, he does not act in the way that is right, he does not do what is proper to a judgeunless he inflicts upon all sin and wrongdoing the penalty it deserves."



J. I. Packer, In My Place Condemned He Stood

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