

# INJUSTICE FOR ALL

Ecclesiastes 3.16-4.6, 5.8, 9 // May 19, 2019

## WHAT ON EARTH IS GOING ON ON EARTH?

There is no surprise that evil and injustice exists. But what often alarms us is *where* it exists. From corrupt politicians, crooked cops, abusive teachers and coaches, manipulative spouses, and backstabbing friends, it never ceases to shock us the level of depravity that comes from the human heart. We may expect the Preacher to say, "this, too, is vanity," but instead he says, "God will judge."

## OH, THE HUMANITY

The Preacher makes the observation that at the end of the day, we are no different than beasts. Not in every way, of course, but if left to our own, we act no different than animals.

Revelation 6.9, 10

We cry out for justice to be done against the barbaric, beastly things we do to each other, but we ought not be too naïve, for it is good that God does not enact immediate justice. The truth is, on the other side of the coin is the fact that we, too, have also wronged others.

**We demand justice for others,  
but beg for mercy for ourselves.**

## HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND?

Ecclesiastes 3.22

There are at least two things we can glean from the observation and the question posed in **verse 22**.

1. **We *can't* know what tomorrow brings, so we ought to learn to rejoice and enjoy today, and not worry about tomorrow.**

Ecclesiastes 4.4-6 // Matthew 6.33, 34

2. **We *can* know what tomorrow brings, because what Solomon did not realize was that his great-great-grandson would be the One who could "bring him to see what will be after him."**

Romans 3.22-26



## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

**Psalm 9:1**

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **Ecclesiastes 3.16-4.6**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

When life inevitably is unfair, either in the world or in your life personally, what Gospel truths can you recall to mind based off of the Preacher's observations in this passage?

### Repent and Ask for Provision

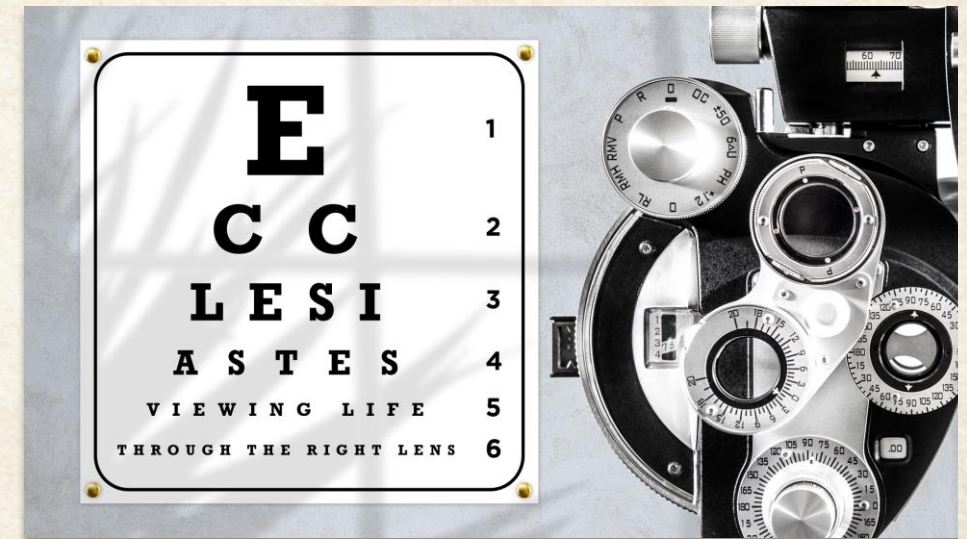
The Preacher warns against being apathetic and indifferent and lazy towards injustice and unfairness. He also warns against striving for more and being discontent with "enough." What areas of life do you find yourself discontent and wishing things were different, and which of these two ways do you usually lean? How might you aim to find the way of having "one handful" with the peace of God?

### Your Life Mission

God has put you in the exact season that He has planned for you, and for a very specific reason. Though you may not know the reason of His "testing," as the Preacher puts it, but he seems to allude to the fact that it is to reveal ways that we do things on our own, much like the animals. But God wants you to depend on Him.

What difficulties or injustices of your life has God brought to you (past or present) that might help you depend on Him, and provide opportunities or conversations or social settings with non-believers that you could use to encourage them and help them find the love and strength of God? How can your group be praying for the people in your life that you love and care for?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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