

Justice

Pre-Article:

1. How would you define *justice*?
2. What has been one of the greatest acts of justice you have experienced or seen lately? What feelings or emotions were stirred when you heard or saw of this justice?

Observational Discussion

1. Are you compelled or motivated by the topic of justice? Why or why not? If so, what about it is important to you?
2. What are some messages of 'justice' that you are familiar with that don't actually line up with the Lord's definition of justice? What's missing?
3. Read Mathew 23:1-28. In this passage, Jesus accuses the Pharisees of performing empty actions in the name of religion without actually loving people and helping them see God. What are some of the specific things he accuses them of? How does this passage parallel our own day and age? What traps must we guard against falling into ourselves, lest we become like the Pharisees?
4. Discuss the verses from Psalms listed in the additional reading. What do they reveal about what is important to God and how He reigns?

Personal Application

1. What are some ways in your daily life and normal routine that God could be challenging you to bring about justice by loving those around you?
2. If you are resistant to meeting these needs, why is that? What will help you to adjust your heart's attitude?
3. What are some attitudes and actions that your Chi Alpha small group could take to implement acts of justice on campus and in the surrounding community?