

God's Wisdom: More Valuable Than Gold

“Be Wise About Justice”

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Proverbs 31:8-9

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- A. The dictionary definition of “justice” is: moral rightness, _____, honor, fair play, due _____ and due _____.
- B. Is _____ concerned about justice?
- Justice is rooted in the very _____ of God. (Isa. 30:18b; Dt. 32:4)
 - God expressed His concern for justice in these instructions in Dt. 24:14-22.
- C. Here’s a sampling of Bible verses about justice: Ps. 33:5; 97:2; 106:3; 140:12; Amos 5:24; Micah 6:8; Zech. 7:9; Mt. 23:23; James 1:27.
- D. Justice in Proverbs: 1:3; 17:23; 19:28.
- E. Proverbs 21:3 is significant because it says that to do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than _____.
- F. God expects us to know what justice _____ and to _____ for justice in the world. (Pr. 21:15; 28:5; 29:4, 26)
- G. The first word that suggests what acting justly involves is _____.
- We need to be _____ in our _____.
 - Honesty in our _____ includes keeping our _____. (Ps. 15:4)
 - When called upon to testify as a _____, we must never give a _____ witness or corrupt justice by taking a _____. (Pr. 17:23; 14:5, 25)
 - When doing business, we must use accurate _____ and _____. (Pr. 11:1; 20:10)
 - We must not move _____ (Pr. 23:10-11)
- H. A second word that suggests what acting justly involves is _____.
- _____ treats everyone with _____. (Dt. 10:17; Pr. 22:2; Rom. 2:11)
 - God commands us not to show _____ or _____. (Lev. 19:15; James 2:1-4)
 - _____ is our great example of treating everyone with _____.
- I. A third word that suggests what acting justly involves is _____.
- _____ belongs to _____. (1 Chr. 29:14; 1 Cor. 4:7)
 - We are called to be wise _____ of our _____. (Lk. 16:1-16)
 - In the Mosaic law, God laid out principles for generosity and the forgiveness of _____. (Dt. 15:7-10; Lev. 25:8-55)
 - Proverbs about generosity to the _____. (Pr. 14:31, 21; 19:17; 22:9; 28:27)
 - John wrote about what _____ in action looks like. (1 Jn. 3:16-18)
- J. A fourth word that suggests what acting justly involves is _____.
- God calls upon us to advocate for the poor, the _____ and the _____. (Pr. 31:8-9; 24:11-12)
 - How often do we witness _____ and fail to get _____?

Answer Key: A. equity, reward, punishment. B. God. B.1. character. E. sacrifice. F. is, work. G. honesty. G.1. truthful, speech. G.2. speech, promises. G.3. witness, false, bribe. G.4. scales, measures. G.5. boundary, stones. H. Equality. H.1. God, equality. H.2. partiality, favoritism. H.3. Jesus, equality. I. Generosity. I.1. Everything, God. I.2. stewards, wealth. I.3. debt. I.4. poor. I.5. love. J. Advocacy. J.1. powerless, voice-less. J.2. injustice, involved.