

:: Summary

God is the ultimate champion of social justice. He has always hated in justice, oppression and exploitation, and He passionately fights to establish justice in every situation for the sake of human thriving. So, as we consider the injustices and complex problems we face as a country and ask God what he wants from us, God's response in the words of His prophet Micah is that He requires us to pursue justice, love mercy and walk humbly with the Lord our God.

:: Share

As our nation and world respond to the death of George Floyd with demonstrations and protests, what thoughts, feelings and questions have come up for you as you process what has happened over the last several weeks?

:: Explore and Discuss | Micah 6:1-8

In verses 6-8, what contrast do you see between what the Israelites were focused on versus what God was most concerned about?

How do the 3 commands in Micah 6:8 connect with the two great commandments to love God and love your neighbor, as recorded in the Old and New Testaments?

Why does God *require* His people to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God?

:: Apply it to Your Life

In what ways does your life demonstrate God's heart for social justice? What changes might God be calling you to make in your life to actively champion social justice in your context?

What are practical, everyday ways in which you can reorganize your life to prioritize loving mercy through acts of love and service for those around you who are in need?

What would it look like for you to humble yourself and lose your life for Jesus' sake, as you willingly elevate others above yourself and give yourself away on their behalf?

:: Pray

Lord, would you show us what it means in our life circumstances to respond to your grace in the ways you desire. Would you transform our hearts to be more like your own.

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Our communities need people who are willing to stand up, use their voice and fight for acting justly, loving mercy and walking humbly with God. The world needs to see the heart of God on display, and that is what God requires of His people as well.



