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MATTHEW 25
CHALLENGE

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Part 5: Justice, Kindness and Humility

Micah 6:6-8

⁶ "With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high? Shall I
come before him with burnt offerings, with
calves a year old? ⁷ Will the LORD be pleased
with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of
rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my
transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of
my soul?"

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⁸ He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you, but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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- A challenge to trust the LORD and be obedient to Him is the focus of chapters 6-7

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- In short, sin was rampant in the land (7:1-10)

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- The requirements of God were well known (6:8a-b):
 - love with the entire heart,
 - obedience rather than sacrifice,
 - repentance,
 - the maintenance of loyalty and justice, and
 - trust in Him

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- Justice (Micah 6:8c)
- Kindness (v. 8d)
- Walking humbly with God (v. 8e)