

# JUSTICE REVIVAL

**Sermon Series :** May Justice Reign

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Jer 22:11-17

We need to work toward a holistic understanding of justice.

People agree that justice is important. They differ on *how to achieve* justice. Argue with the suggested solution, *not* against the need for pursuing justice.

Isa 59:12-15. emphasis 59:14

justice/righteousness = right relationship with God, others, creation, self

Throughout Scripture, God reveals His disappointment at the lack of justice.

We don't emphasize punitive judgement. Punitive judgement only for the sake of restoring goodness; bring things back to wholeness.

Lk 4:14-21; Isa 61:1-2a

the good news is: the in-breaking of the right hand of God, as was promised, and the passing on of this calling to us, to bring it about in the world.

We are called to be agents of God in reconciling the world to Himself

## QUESTIONS

What is your understanding of justice? In your opinion, how central should it be to your pursuit of Jesus?

Ken believes many people hold too narrow an understanding of "the gospel". What is the gospel? How does justice fit in?

What might it look like for you to live as an agent of God's reconciliatory work in the world?