



JUSTICE

We all want to grow, but growth is uncomfortable. It often challenges us to move out of our comfort zone. It requires something of us. Sometimes growth means looking at things from a different perspective or seeking to understand what it looks like to reflect the heart of our heavenly Father. Growth requires curiosity, humility, teachability, and intentionality. Let's take a look at the biblical idea of justice and see where there's room to grow!

Watch this video and then discuss questions below.

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/justice/> (about 5 minutes)

Discussion Questions

1. What comes to mind when you think of justice?
2. Read Proverbs 31:8–9, Jeremiah 22:3, and Psalm 146:7–9. What do these verses tell us about the action part of justice and righteousness?
3. From the video, the Hebrew definition for **righteousness** is: an ethical standard of right relationships between people, treating others as creations made in the image of God. The Hebrew definition of **justice** is: seeking out the vulnerable and taking action, advocating for the vulnerable. When you hear these definitions what stands out to you?
4. One of the descriptions of the term wicked in Hebrew has to do with ignoring the dignity of a person who is made in the image of God. What does this look like practically today?
5. The video challenges that we all, at some level (actively, passively, or unintentionally), participate in injustice. Do you agree? Why or why not?
6. The action step of justice is not easy. It requires us to share the burdens of others and see their problems as our problems. The prophet Micah says it this way: To act justly and to love mercy and walk humbly with your God (Micah 6:8). Think of someone you know who does this. What are some actions you could take today to move in this direction?