

Week 36: Justice and Mercy

Scripture Reading:

"He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" - Micah 6:8

Opening Prayer:

Begin by reflecting on the perfect balance of God's justice and mercy. Ask for insight to understand these attributes and for the grace to emulate them in your daily life.

Devotional:

God's nature is a harmonious blend of justice and mercy. His justice ensures that wrongdoing is addressed and that righteousness is upheld. Yet, His mercy ensures that forgiveness and compassion are always available. It's a reminder that while our sins deserve punishment, God's love offers us grace through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. We're encouraged to approach Him with both reverence for His holiness and gratitude for His compassion.

Discussion:

1. How does the cross demonstrate both God's justice and His mercy? (Romans 3:25-26)
2. Why is it essential to uphold both justice and mercy in our interactions with others? (James 2:13)
3. Share a time when you experienced God's justice or mercy in a personal way.

Activity:

Discuss situations in daily life where you might need to show justice and mercy.

Closing Prayer:

Conclude by expressing gratitude for God's justice and mercy. Ask for wisdom to reflect these attributes in your interactions with others.