

Heb 13:5 Be satisfied, God is with you
 Jas 1:22-27 Be doers, not only hearers of the word
 Jas 2:1-9 Love your neighbour, treat all with dignity
 Jas 2:14-17 Faith without actions is dead
 Jas 3:13-18 Peacemakers follow true wisdom
 Jas 5:1-6 Riches obtained unjustly bring misery
 1 Pt 4:7-11 Put your gifts at the service of others
 1 Jn 3:17 Selfishness precludes love
 1 Jn 4:7-12 If we love one another, God's love is made perfect in us
 1 Jn 4:19-21 We can't love God without loving neighbour
 Rev 21:1-6 The new heaven and the new earth

ABBREVIATIONS - NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

Mt	Matthew	Mk	Mark
Lk	Luke	Jn	John
Acts	Acts of the Apostles	Rom	Romans
1 Cor	1 Corinthians	2 Cor	2 Corinthians
Gal	Galatians	Eph	Ephesians
Phil	Philippians	Col	Colossians
1 Thes	1 Thessalonians	1 Tm	1 Timothy
Heb	Hebrew	Jas	James
1 Pt	1 Peter	1 Jn	1 John
Rev	Revelation		

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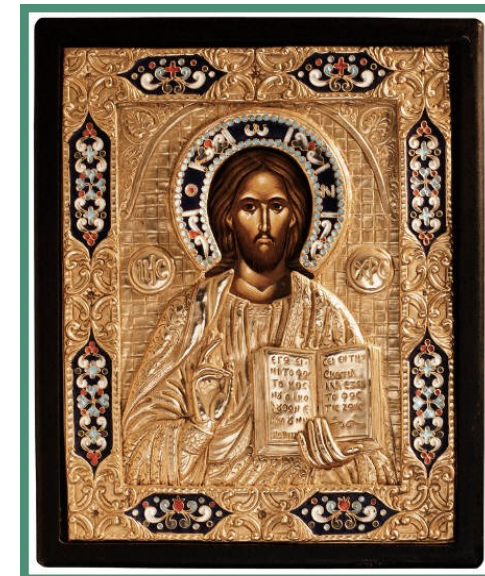


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A Scriptural Guide To Justice



Hebrew Scriptures

Gn 1:1-31 The story of creation; call to stewardship of the earth
 Gn 4:9-10 Am I my brother's keeper?
 Ex 3:1-20 God reveals himself as liberator; sends Moses to free his people from economic and political oppression
 Ex 6:2-13 God the liberator
 Ex 16:1-36 The manna and the quails
 Ex 17:1-7 Water from the rock
 Ex 22:20-24 Justice and mercy toward stranger, orphan, widow
 Ex 22:25-27 Mercy and kindness toward neighbour
 Ex 23:6-8 Legal systems should judge fairly
 Ex 23:9 Don't oppress strangers
 Lv 19:9-18 Treat your neighbour with justice and mercy; love your neighbour as yourself
 Lv 19:23-24 Don't oppress strangers
 Lv 19:32-34 Respect for the elderly and foreigners
 Lv 25:8 ff Holy year of jubilee; economic restoration
 Lv 25:23-28 The land belongs to the Lord; you are strangers and guests
 Lv 27:32 Tithing
 Dt 1:16-17 Judge impartially
 Dt 10:16-20 Don't oppress strangers
 Dt 15:1-15 Periodic cancellation of debts and release of slaves; let there be no poor among you
 Dt 24:17-22 Justice toward strangers, orphans, widows
 Dt 24:19-22 Remember the poor while harvesting; gleaning
 Dt 26:12-13 Tithing and concern for the poor
 Dt 27:19 Don't oppress strangers
 Dt 30 A nation that chooses the Lord chooses life
 1Ch 29:10-14 We only give back to God what God has first given us
 1 Sm 15:22 Excessive formalism vs. obedience to God
 Tb 4:16-17 Treat others as you would be treated
 Tb 1:21 Naked I came from my mother's womb, naked I shall return
 Ps 8:1-9 Placed over all creation
 Ps 9:7-12, 18 God rules the world with justice
 Ps 9:9 Strength for the oppressed; justice toward all
 Ps 24:1 ff The earth is the Lord's
 Ps 25:6-18 The Lord hears and protects the just
 Ps 41:1-3 Regard for the lowly and the poor

Rom 8:14-17 We have been given a spirit of freedom, not slavery
 Rom 12:9-13, & 16-17 One body in Christ, serving others
 Rom 12:10-18 Make hospitality your special care; make friends with the poor
 Rom 13:8-10 Our only debt is to love one another
 Rom 14:17-19 The kingdom is justice, peace, and joy
 1 Cor 11:17-34 Dishonouring the Lord's supper, division in the community
 1 Cor 12:7-11 The gifts of the Holy Spirit are tools for building Christian community
 1 Cor 12:24-26 If one suffers, all suffer
 1 Cor 13 Love as the Christian life style
 1 Cor 16:14 Set aside money to aid others
 2 Cor 4:7 God's power working in and through us
 2 Cor 6:6 The qualities of a servant
 2 Cor 8:1-15 Be generous in sharing with the needy; Christ became poor to enrich us
 2 Cor 9:1-15 Give gladly
 Gal 3:28 There are no distinctions, all are one in Christ
 Gal 5:1 You have been called to live in freedom
 Gal 5:13-15 Use your freedom to serve others; love fulfils the law
 Gal 5:22-23 The fruits of the Holy Spirit
 Gal 6:2 Bear one another's burdens
 Eph 2:8-10 Saved through faith in Christ, created for a life of good deeds
 Eph 4:11-16 The base for ministry is the community; the whole body grows and is built up by love
 Eph 4:23-24 Put aside old misdirected ways for a new, fresh way of thinking
 Phil 2:1-11 Unity and service; be a servant like Christ
 Col 3:10-12 On racial discrimination
 Col 3:17 Do all in Christ's name
 1 Thes 5:12-18 The demands of community life
 Gal 6:9-10 Do not tire of doing good
 1 Tm 6:1-10 Love of money is the root of all evil
 1 Tm 6:17-19 Tell the rich not to be proud
 Heb 10:24-25 Concern in Christian community
 Heb 13:1-3 Welcome strangers, remember those imprisoned

Lk 6:27-35	Make peace through non-violence and love of enemies	Ps 65:9-13	God's care for creation
Lk 7:18-23	Tell John what you see; the blind see, the Good News is preached	Ps 68:5-6	God's care for the helpless and homeless
Lk 10:25-37	The Good Samaritan	Ps 72	God liberates and defends the poor and oppressed; justice flourishes in God's day
Lk 11:40-42	Pharisaism; need justice and love	Ps 82	No more mockery of justice
Lk 12:13-21	A person's worth is not determined by how much one owns	Ps 96:10-13	God judges the people with justice
Lk 12:32-34	Sell and give alms; your heart will be where your riches are	Ps 103	Yahweh is always on the side of the oppressed
Lk 14:7-14	Humility and hospitality	Ps 103:6-7	God judges in favour of the oppressed
Lk 15:1-7	Jesus associated with the outcasts of society; the lost sheep	Ps 140:12	God defends the cause of the poor
Lk 16:19-31	The story of Lazarus and the rich man	Ps 146:1-10	Creator and God of the oppressed
Lk 19:7-9	Zaccheus; conversion, repentance, and restitution	Ps 146:6-9	The Lord gives justice and liberty
Lk 19:41	Jesus weeps over Jerusalem	Prv 17:15	In making fun of the poor you insult the Creator
Lk 22:24-27	Be a servant	Prv 19:17	The Lord will pay back what you give to the poor
Lk 24:49	Christ empowers us to continue his work	Prv 21:3	Justice is more pleasing than sacrifice
Jn 6:5-13	Christ feeds the hungry	Prv 21:13	Listen to the cry of the poor or your cry for help will not be heard
Jn 6:35	Jesus the Bread of Life	Prv 22:22-23	Do not rob or injure the poor
Jn 10:1-18	Jesus the Good Shepherd	Prv 31:8-9	Be an advocate for the voiceless
Jn 13:1-15	Jesus, the Suffering Servant, washes the feet of the disciples.	Eccl 4:1-3	The power of oppressors and the weak
Jn 13:34-35	Love - the distinctive characteristic of Christians	Sir 3:30; 4:11	Charity toward the poor
Jn 14:10-17	Those who believe in Christ will do the same and greater works through the power of the Spirit	Is 1:10-28	Religious hypocrisy, its punishment and cure
Jn 16:33	Christ has overcome the world	Is 2:1-5	Turn swords into ploughshares
Acts 1:4	The power we need to do Christ's work	Is 3:13-15	Grinding the face of the poor
Acts 1:6-8	Our job is to be Christ's witness	Is 5:1-7	God's people produce the bitter fruit of injustice
Acts 2:43-47; & 5:12-16	The first Christian community shared everything; no one was in need	Is 5:8-9	Woe to those who hoard riches
Acts 4:18-22	Obey God rather than people	Is 10:1-2	Bad legislators; denial of human rights
Acts 4:32-35	True Christian community; possessions shared	Is 29:13	Change of heart requires more than lip service
Acts 6:1-6	Deacons appointed for service	Is 32:16-17	Justice will bring peace
Acts 10:34-35	God shows no favouritism	Is 58:1-12	God doesn't want empty worship but a conversion of heart that produces justice, love, and mercy
Acts 16:16-24; & 17: 1-9	Paul thrown into jail for preaching Jesus and calling for change	Is 61:1-2	Mission of Christ foretold, good news to the poor; liberation
Rom 5:6-11	Friends with God through Christ	Jer 6:13-16	They cry, "Peace!" but there is none
		Jer 6:19-20	Worship is not acceptable without obedience
		Jer 7:1-11	The temple is no haven for evildoers
		Jer 22:3	Rescue the victim from the oppressor
		Jer 22:16	To know the Lord is to act justly
		Ez 34	Responsibilities of religious and civil leaders and authorities

Ez 37 God raises up a new people from "dry bones"
 Dn 9:1-19 The nation is called to repent
 Hos 6:6 Love, not empty worship
 Am 2:6-7 The unjust trample on the heads of ordinary people
 Am 5:10-15 Hate what is evil, do right; establish justice
 Am 5:21-24 God wants worship that expresses true conversion and renewal that produces justice
 Am 6:1,3-6 Woe to the complacent and oppressive rich
 Am 8:4-7 The powerful trample on the poor and needy
 Mi 2:1-2 Woe to the oppressor
 Mi 4:14 God's universal reign of peace; swords beat into plows
 Mi 6:8 Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with God
 Mi 6:9-14 Dishonesty condemned
 Mi 7:18-20 God's constant love
 Hb 2:6-9 Trouble will come to those who exploit
 Zec 7:9-10 Justice and mercy

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Gn	Genesis	Ex	Exodus
Lv	Leviticus	Dt	Deuteronomy
1 Ch	1 Chronicles	1 Sm	1 Samuel
Tb	Tobit	Ps	Psalms
Prv	Proverbs	Eccl	Ecclesiasticus
Am	Amos	Sir	Sirach
Is	Isaiah	Jer	Jeremiah
Hb	Habakkuk	Zec	Zechariah
Mi	Micah	Ho	Hosea
Dn	Daniel	Ez	Ezekiel

Christian Scriptures

Mt 4:1-10 The temptation of Jesus
 Mt 5:13-16 Salt and light for the world
 Mt 5:23-25 Forgiveness and reconciliation
 Mt 5:38-48 Give your coat; walk the extra mile
 Mt 6:14 Don't make a show of your generosity
 Mt 6:19-21 Your heart is where your treasure is
 Mt 6:25-34 Set your hearts on God's kingdom first
 Mt 7:21; Lk 6:46-49 Combine prayer with action
 Mt 8:20 Christ lived in poverty
 Mt 10:37-39 Take up the cross daily; lose life to gain life
 Mt 11:2-6 The signs for recognizing the Messiah and his followers
 Mt 12:46-50 Do God's will
 Mt 12:15-21 God's chosen servant, persistent until justice triumphs
 Mt 15:32 Compassion and a sense of responsibility
 Mt 19:16-30 The rich young man
 Mt 20:26-28 Christians must be servants
 Mt 23:11 Be a servant
 Mt 23:23-24 Don't neglect justice and mercy
 Mt 25:12-30 The parable of the three servants
 Mt 25:31-46 The last judgement; whatever we do to our neighbour we do to Christ
 Mk 6:30-37 Give them something to eat yourselves
 Mk 8:1-9 Jesus feeds four thousand people
 Mk 9:35; & 10:41-45 To be first before God, be a servant
 Mk 10:17-31 The rich young man refuses invitation to voluntary poverty
 Mk 12:41-44 The widow's offering
 Lk 1:52-53 Mary's song of praise; God exalts the poor and lowers the rich
 Lk 3:10-18 John the Baptist's call to share extra clothing, food; for honesty in work
 Lk 4:16-30 Jesus announces his mission to liberate people
 Lk 6:20-26 Beatitudes, condemnation of oppressive and complacent rich