

JUST MERCY

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Week of Nov 13

SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

2 Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord,
and you enduring foundations of the earth,
for the Lord has a case against his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

3 “O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt
and redeemed you from the house of slavery,
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

What God Requires

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?”

8 He has told you, O mortal, 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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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Introductions:

- What is your favorite Thanksgiving food or tradition?

Scripture Reflection:

- How does this week's passage connect to previous weeks?
- What does it tell us about God?

Sermon Reflection:

- Pastor Lara talked about defense mechanisms. Why do we get defensive or fight unfair sometimes?
- Micah is a prophet who speaks the truth--who are the prophets in our society today? What hard truth are they telling us about?
- What makes Just Mercy so difficult in our lives/world?
- Pastor Lara says most people are naturally better at justice or mercy.
 - Which one are you better at?
 - How can you grow to embrace the other more?

Closing Question & Application:

- What did God say to you during the conversation today?
- How might you live out that learning this week?

Prayer: *(save a little extra time for this)*

- Have each person go around and share what this group has meant to them. How has God blessed you through this group? This is a time to affirm one another. Celebrate your time together. And thank God for the gift of community.
- Conclude with any kind of prayer you want.

Encourage your group to share their stories with All In by emailing Pastor Lara!