#### **PPT Biblical Justice Series – Part 2**

"The LORD is a God of *Mishpat*" Senior Pastor, Dr. Janet Cook Sunday, January 3, 2021

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### **Righteousness and Justice**

Psalm 89:13-15

You have a mighty arm; Strong is Your hand, and high is Your right hand.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;

Mercy and truth go before Your face.

Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound!

# The word Justice = Misphat

וֹמְשְׁבְּשׁ Strongs Hebrew 4941: judgment, justice, ordinance, act of deciding a case, place, court, seat of judgment, process, procedure, litigation case, cause (presented for judgment), sentence, decision (of judgment), execution (of judgment), time (of judgment) right, rectitude (attributes of God or man) privilege, due (legal) proper, fitting, measure, fitness, custom, manner, plan

# **Keep Praying and Never Give UP!**

Luke 18:1-8 The parable of the persistent widow and the unjust judge "that they should always pray and never give up" (NLT).

Matthew 7:7-8 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened."

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The word we are hearing for 2021 is Justice. Justice and righteousness emanate from the nature and character of God. The Hebrew word for Justice is *Misphat*, and it is most often used to refer to restorative justice. It means to "make it right" for

the person who has been wronged. I think of it as restoring a person to a place of peace.

The focus and direction the Lord has given us regarding justice is found in Micah 6:8 "He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you, But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?"

In the midst of a nation full of chaos God has given us clear direction. We have our marching orders to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with God. We hear the Spirit of the Lord say that walking in humility with God will open doors of opportunity.

The Lord reminded us that we are called to reach out to those who are down-andout. When a living soul is being taken advantage of, we are to do more than talk about it. God has called us to active duty.

The Lord is inviting us to walk humbly with Him and join Him in what He is doing. He has anointed us to bring healing and restoration to weary souls. We show the Lord's justice by pulling them up to a higher place in their natural and spiritual circumstances.

The Lord has assigned His Church, the Ecclesia, to establish Kingdom principles in communities that will demolish oppressive systems and structures. There are unjust works going on all around us and God is exposing them. We will see the justice of the Lord God Almighty demonstrated in our nation.

We decree according to Ecclesiastes 12:14 "For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil." (Dr. Janet Cook)

# **Gods Heart Concerning You**

2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

# Kingdom assignment vs Personal assignment

Romans 12:19 "Beloved, don't be obsessed with taking revenge, but leave that to God's righteous justice. For the Scriptures say: "If you don't take justice in your own hands, I will release justice for you," says the Lord. (TPT)

# We Execute God's Written Judgment - It is our HONOR

Psalm 149:6-9

Let the high praises of God be in their mouth,

And a two-edged sword in their hand,

To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples;

To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron;

To execute on them the written judgment—This honor have all His saints.

Praise the LORD!