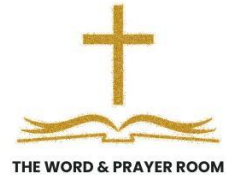


# **Anchored by the Word in Troubled Times**



## **Day 3: Justice in an Unjust World**

Living right, walking humbly, and speaking up — even when it's costly.

### **Key Scriptures:**

“But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!”

- **Amos 5:24 (NIV)**

“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

- **Micah 6:8 (NIV)**

### **Reflection**

In a world that's increasingly loud about injustice but slow to act, God's voice cuts through the noise with clarity: **“Let justice roll.”** Justice isn't a trend or a political opinion - it's part of God's nature. He doesn't just support justice - He is just. From Genesis to Revelation, Scripture shows that God is deeply concerned about how people are treated, especially the vulnerable, the oppressed, and the overlooked.

### **Let's define a few things clearly:**

- Justice is giving people what they are due, whether protection, fairness, opportunity, or accountability.
- Discrimination is the belief, conscious or unconscious, that some people are more valuable or deserving than others - and the actions, systems, or silence that reinforce that belief based on race, gender, age, ability, or background.
- Inequity is when opportunities, resources, or rights are unfairly distributed, often due to race, class, gender, ability, or background.

God cares about all of this. Why? Because injustice distorts His design. It breaks people, divides communities, and mocks the unity and dignity that God intends for humanity.

## Justice is not just a Social or Political Topic

Many believers have been taught that faith is personal and private - something we do quietly, in prayer and in church. But justice challenges that view. Justice is not a social trend or a political agenda, it is a spiritual mandate. Scripture says that justice and righteousness are the foundation of God's throne (Psalm 89:14). That means justice isn't optional - it reflects the very heart and rule of God. God doesn't ask for performance. He asks for participation: "Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly."


Justice is how we work, how we lead, how we speak up, and how we stand with others, even when it costs us comfort. Your workplace, your leadership, your influence, are all part of God's plan. Salvation is not just for the soul, it's a whole-life policy. It transforms how we live, love, work, and lead. And that means justice isn't a side project. It should be woven into every believer's life, purpose, and mission. To follow Jesus is to care about what He cares about - and He cares deeply about justice.

## Practical Application

- **Reflect:** Who in your workplace or community is unheard or overlooked? How can you amplify their voice or make room at the table?
- **Speak up:** Silence supports the status quo. Practice saying, "That's not okay" - kindly, clearly, and confidently.
- **Educate yourself:** Learn about the systems and structures that keep inequity in place. Then ask: What would Jesus do here?
- **Use your influence:** Whether you're leading teams, raising children, or showing up in meetings, justice starts with doing what's right when no one else is.

## Prayer

God of justice and mercy, open my eyes to the pain around me that I've been too busy or too fearful to see. Break my heart for what breaks Yours - not just in words, but in action. Show me how to act justly in my daily decisions, not just my Sunday prayers. Help me to walk humbly, not perform righteousness. Give me the courage to speak up when silence feels safer, and the wisdom to challenge systems that hurt those You love. Let justice flow through my life like a river - not forced, but constant. In Jesus' name, Amen.

 **Final Takeaway:** Justice isn't optional for believers - it's required. Because God doesn't just save our souls; He transforms our whole lives. In every space we step into, we're called to be carriers of justice, mercy, and humility.