

MERCIFUL & JUST

Exodus

SERIES BIG IDEA:

We are delivered to discover the only true God in Whom we can trust.**If God is the supreme authority, why does he allow bad things to happen?****The Old Testament leads us to see an outline of God that Jesus colors in.**²"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.³"You shall have no other gods before me.⁴"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Exodus 20:2-6 (NIV)

- Sin has to be punished so evil can be dealt with justly.
- Sin is the evidence of evil and results in death.
- Sin results when we don't submit to God's authority.

Sin, regardless who it's against, is against God.⁶And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, ⁷maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."

Exodus 34:6-7 (NIV)

God is just with all who are guilty of evil by punishing sin, yet He is merciful by patiently waiting for all to trust in Him.**For God to act justly against evil means He would have to punish the evil in all people, including me.**⁹What shall we conclude then? Do we have any advantage? Not at all! For we have already made the charge that Jews and Gentiles alike are all under the power of sin.¹⁰As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one;

Romans 3:9-10 (NIV)

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

In a merciful act of justice against evil, Jesus has taken the punishment for the sins of all who trust in Him and follow Him.¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgement: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God..." ³⁵The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. ³⁶Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

John 3:16-21,35-36 (NIV)

Jesus came the first time to take the judgement of evil for those who trust in Him.**Jesus will come a second time to judge the evil of all who don't trust in Him.***And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."*

Matthew 25:46 (ESV)

Will I trust that Jesus justly took the punishment for my sins and that He gives me His righteousness?**Will I trust that Jesus will one day deal justly with all evil?***My Notes:***contact**

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