

WEEK 45:

# DIVINE JUSTICE

## PRIMARY SCRIPTURE:

Luke 16:19-31

## RELATED SCRIPTURES:

Matthew 8:5-13, 22:1-14, 25:31-46, Luke 12:1-7,  
John 12:44-50, Romans 3:9-26, Revelation 21:1-8

“If sinners be damned, at least let them leap to Hell over our dead bodies. And if they perish, let them perish with our arms wrapped about their knees, imploring them to stay. If Hell must be filled, let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go unwarned and unprayed for.”

- C.H. Spurgeon

“The vague and tenuous hope that God is too kind to punish the ungodly has become a deadly opiate for the consciences of millions.”

- A.W. Tozer

## LIFEGROUP DISCUSSION:

There are certain realities about our world that are overwhelmingly dark. What injustices make you particularly angry or sorrowful? Do you believe that God is angry at these and other evils? If not, what how does He respond? How would you support your view from the Bible?

**Read Luke 16:19-31.** What stands out to you about the rich man Jesus describes? What is his perspective on God, himself and what matters in life?

**Read Romans 3:23-27.** What does it mean that Jesus is our propitiation? What kind of heart does the gospel produce in a person who really understands it?

**Read Romans 12:19-21.** How does Paul explain the relationship between God’s judgment and our ability to forgive and pray for anyone (including even those who are guilty of causing harm)?

Pray the gospel to produce in us hearts that:

- are humble and grateful for Jesus sacrifice in our place.
- take our sin seriously and repent quickly and fully.
- stand with God against injustice.
- stand with God in urgently helping people far from Him to receive His grace.