

Thats our theme verse for this weekend from Micah 6:8 Say it with me..... He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

RECAP OF THE SERMON SERIES

-ROMANS 13 "ALL AUTHORITY...."

THIS WEEKEND

- -It's been a cluttered filled last few months during this political season with all kinds of political ads being bombarded onto our computer (like I can't even watch Youtube now without ads popping up every 5 minutes) and mailers out about who you should vote and through all of this it can be stressful and scary.
- -But here's the good news. Those of us who call ourselves Christians don't have to be afraid because we are not citizens of this world but we are Citizen of Heaven. This is a temporary home for us.
- -This weekend I want to focus on how we are to live as a Citizens of Heaven. How we are to live out the kingdom of God. How we are to have a Kingdom Mindset in our daily lives and especially now more than ever during this political season. I titled this message "Kingdom Culture."

PRAY

-The things that matter the most. When you look at your life are you really focusing on the most important things?

EXAMPLE: Adalyn drinking a whole can of pop....how do I respond? To my co-worker who's nasty, to my boss, to people in church.

- -It is our responsibility how we respond in the voting box.
- -God wants to show us how to get an A in this life. **EXAMPLE:** College Professor

Main Point #1: To Live Out a Kingdom Mindset We Must Act Justly

- -JUSTICE is doing the right thing when only God is watching...not when other people are watching. -Justice is acting in a way that is fair. Justice is a way that generates strong community. Justice is what brings social obligation.
- -How are you treating the people around you. The people who can bring nothing into your life. How are you handling the situations were you can walk in justice.

Jesus emphasizes Justice throughout the Bible...Key Themes

- **Divine Justice**: He upholds moral order Psalms 89:14 and Isaiah 30:18
- Social Justice: Caring for the poor, widows, orphans and foreigners Deuteronomy 10:18
- Legal Justice: The laws given in the Old Testament, especially in books like Exodus and Leviticus, provide guidelines for justice within the community, promoting fairness and accountability.

- Ultimate Justice: God's finial judgement will rectify all wrongs Revelation 21:4

Psalms 106:6

Main Point #2: To Live Out A Kingdom Mindset We Must Love Mercy

- -Some people are in the ditch of justice. They're crying out for justice but their lacking mercy. And if you get into the ditch of only justice and not mercy...you start believing the first accusation of a person.
- -The sermon on the Mount its the magna center, the constitution of every follower of Jesus/citizen of Heaven.

Matthew 6:33

Matthew 5:7: Blessed are the merciful for they will be shown mercy.

Matthew 5:9: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Key Themes with this point: Forgiveness, Compassion, Kindness

Video: Carol Freh Hope Rising (3 minutes)

Main Point #3: To Live Out A Kingdom Mindset We Must Walk Humbly With God Keys Out

SONG: Steven Curtis Chapman Song "Walk" 1:18 mark.

John 3: one of the greatest example of humility. John the Baptist. People are living His rally and going to listen to Jesus. "I must become less and He must become greater..." a quiet confidence.

The Bible talks a lot about Humility vs Pride.

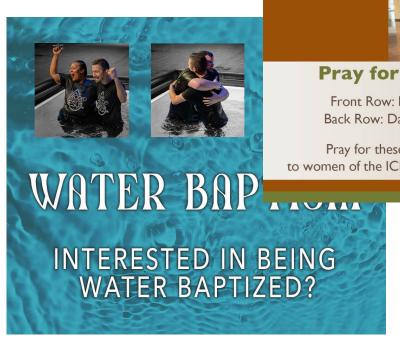
Proverbs 18:12 James 4:6 2 Chron 7:14 James 4:10 1 Peter 5:5

Conclusion

Living out the Kingdom of God involves embodying the values and principles that Jesus taught and demonstrated.

Our Lives need to reflect Biblical justice...mercy...humility as much as we advocate that in our governmental structures we should. Our governmental structures can only reflect individual lives of those leading them. We shape how they're carried out.

No matter who is elected remember this is who we are and we can't just wait for the government to be JUST and to show mercy and to walk humbly. We are called to action. This is who we are as Kingdom Citizens. Are you ready to join a revolution? Tired of the status quo. Let's join with Jesus in His critical response ream and change the world!



Pray for those who said "YES" to going!

Front Row: Elizabeth Davida Mary Kathleen Vanessa Da'Neicia

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Front Row: Elizabeth, Davida, Mary, Kathleen, Vanessa, Da'Neicia Back Row: Dana, Christina, Jenny, Alice, Kara | Not Pictured: Vickki

Pray for these women while they are in Eswatini, Africa ministering to women of the ICBC churches who have come to attend the women's retreat.

Water Baptism - November 23 and 24. Click <u>here</u> for more

information on water baptism and to register for the next baptism.

Now What? - If you "Said Yes", click <u>here</u> for some helpful next steps.

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Join a Group! - Click here for group information and details.

GROWTHTRACK **101** - November 13, 7 pm. Are you new to CLC and want to learn more about the church and meet others you worship with? If so, GrowthTrack is the place for you! **Click here to register!**