

Knowledge of the Holy
"The Justice of God" - Chapter 17

1. What is justice? _____

2. What is its relationship of justice to righteousness?

Hebrew: *Justice* is: מִשְׁפָּט / mishpat (Strong #4941) _____

Righteousness is: תְּשׁוּבָה / tseḏaqah (Strong #6666) _____

Greek words used for justice and righteousness (often used interchangeably - See Romans 3:19-30 for example of δικαιοῦ / dikaiō, δικαίος / dikaios & δικαιοσύνη / dikaiosunā all used in one passage. Romans 1:17 & 1 John 3:7 for example of δικαίος / dikaios & δικαιοσύνη / dikaiosuna used in a single sentence. See John 16:8 for example of κρίσις / krisis & δικαιοσύνη / dikaiosuna used together).

Justice is: δικαιοῦ / dikaiō (Strong #1343) _____

κρίσις / krisis (Strong #2920) _____

ἐκδίκησις / ekdikāsis (Strong #1557) _____

Righteousness is: δικαίος / dikaios (Strong #1342) _____

δικαιοσύνη / dikaiosunā (Strong#1343) _____

3. What is God's relationship to justice? _____

4. What is the relationship of God's justice to His other attributes in general? _____

5. What is the relationship of God's justice to His goodness? (See: Exodus 33:19 cf. 34:6-7)

6. Psalm 145:8-9 proclaims that God is merciful to all with Romans 2:2-8 and Romans 9:22-23 giving some of the specific reasons for His current mercy to sinners. How can God extend such mercy to sinners and still be just?

7. How will God's justice be applied to the sinner in eternity? (See Isaiah 66:24; Matthew 25:31-46; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Revelation 20:11-15)

8. What is the relationship between God's justice and redemption through Christ's atonement? (See Romans 3:21-26; 5:16-19; Titus 3:5-7; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 5:9)

9. How can a sinner be made just before God? (See John 3:14-21; Romans 1:16-17; 3:28-30; 4:1-25; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 3:11-14, 24; Ephesians 2:1-10)

10. Why is the idea that *God is too kind to punish the ungodly a deadly opiate for the conscience* ?
