

# THE GOOD LIFE: THE GOSPEL & JUSTICE

*Life Group Guide | Sunday, October 10, 2021*

**Review the Group Guidelines.**

**Read Luke 18:1-8.** What does this passage tell you about God?

Jesus tells the parable of how even a sinful and selfish judge eventually does the right thing after being pestered by the widow. He puts himself in contrast with the judge, promising to respond when his people cry out to him to make things right.

How can we participate with God making all things right? How can we be searching for ways to love the most vulnerable?

How do you respond to people like the widow who persistently ask for help?

How has God asked you to be His hands and feet? Has God used proximity, a nudge of empathy, or even someone's bold request for help to call us out of our "insular living?"

In Luke 18:8 Jesus ends the parable with, "However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" Do we really believe the gospel is able to transform our world? How can we let God transform our imaginations to believe in and live out a more full gospel, one that is truly big enough to carry the grief of this broken world. What could it look like for an abundantly full gospel to permeate our immediate surroundings? Imagine what God's Kingdom could look like in your corner of the world. We cannot save the world alone, but we're not alone. The beauty of God's Kingdom is that he has made it impossible for us to go at it alone. We are designed to be a body (1 Corinthians 12), dependent on one another. We each are designed as a member to be obedient to the calling God has placed on our life. Calling back the metaphor Isabel Wilkerson used of the inherited house, what could it look like for us to take responsibility in making all things as they should be?

**Share together:**

With what God has placed in front of you, what does bringing his Kingdom look like in your life? How do small acts of obedience in your daily life bring the Kingdom of God on earth? Share some stories of how you've seen God bring healing and shalom in your life and the lives of those around you. Let's Celebrate together what God has done and what he will continue to do.

**Pray together.** Close by reading Philipians 2.