  **CHRIST COMPANION BIBLE CHURCH**

 **Weekly Bible Study**

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**JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS IN DAILY CHRISTIAN LIVING** **PART 1( STUDY 4)**

**TEXT**: **Micah 6:8-13. Luke 23:39-43**

**MEMORY VERSE: *James 2:9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.***

**James 2:10 *For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty***

***of all.***

 God, in His wisdom has set principles and order into every system and process in the universe to ensure balance and hitch free operations. When these are observed and followed, peace, stability, expected results and progress are assured. For example, there is a just and balance combination of the elements that make up the breathing air: Air is made up of 78.09% nitrogen, 20.95% oxygen, 0.93% argon, 0.04% carbon dioxide, and other gases in meagre amounts. Water vapour is also a constituent of air in varying amounts, along with dust particles. If any of these air portion is reduced or released in excess of the required amount, then, it becomes a problem! An air with 10% oxygen can mean respiratory malfunction or death to man. A fair and just mixture of the air constituents is the ideal that fulfills God's noble intentions.

 **I. Meaning of Justice and Fairness**

1. Justice and fairness is defined as "the constant and perpetual will to render to each his due".
2. It is treating others as rightly deserved without favouritism, prejudice or partiality.
3. It means keeping to established and authorized standard irrespective of who is involved or affected, e.g in measurements, policy, and practice.
4. It means doing that which is right and just.
5. Execution of judgement lawfully without fear or favour by matching responsibility with due consequences and reward.
6. Doing that which is good and acceptable to God in your relationship and dealings with fellow human being.
7. Fairness means impartial and just treatment or behaviour, without discrimination or taking advantage of others.

II. **Justice and Fairness Exemplified In Nature**

1**. Natural Organical and Physiological Balance**: In every healthy organism, the supply of resources (blood and nutrition) are always proportional to the needs! Each cell of the body gets what it deserves without deprivation. When these are not done fairly, abnormalities occurred with resultant health problems.

2. **Natural Resource Allocation:** Nature ensures that we do not have more predators than preys! Naturally, fishes will breed in thousands within short time while humans, the consumers will reproduce less per time! Undue shortage of rain leads to famine, while excess leads to flooding and losses. Balance, fair distribution and just sharing are always the keys for best outcome.

3. **Sowing and Reaping Law:** Nature ensures that you have what you are entitled to in proportion and degrees! The earth will give back to you what invested to it in seed, labour and quality.Human knowledge and its application is the reason for success or failure based on attitude adopted towards this just and fair principle of nature.

4. **The Unbendable Rule of Time:** Time is just, fair and friendly to all. It bears no grudge, never partial, discriminative or prejudicial. It gives equal dose of opportunities by being available to all. It rewards whatever you invest in it. It cannot be held down or hastened! Time is a masterful entity that will deliver your return of investment into it without fear and favour.

 5. **God is Just and fair in all His Ways! Revelation 5:3.**

i. *He gives life and breaths to all.*

ii. *He plans and provides redemption for all.*

iii*. He prepares heaven for all and hell for the ill willed!*

iv. *He distributes grace and gifts fairly to all based on capacity and reward if graciously used, but with justice and fairness. Matthew 16:27.*

6**. Note:** **Man is Made in God's Image.** Sin has brought distortion to man' sense of justice and fairness. Selfishness has made man to always seek to take undue advantage of God and fellow humans. Satan preys on human greed to fuel unjust dealings and fear treatment. This has been the cause of human greediness, oppressions, aggressions and tensions.

7. **Repentance, transformation and reformation to live according to divine plan in love, just dealing and in fairness to all is the sure way to peace, righteousness and joy in the Holy Spirit**. Repent today and be converted. Romans 14:17. Amen.

 **HYMN (CHS 28): JUST AS I AM**

1. Just as I am, without one plea,

But that Thy blood was shed for me,

And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

2. Just as I am, and waiting not

To rid my soul of one dark blot,

To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

3. Just as I am, tho’ tossed about

With many a conflict, many a doubt,

Fightings within, and fears without,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind,

Sight, riches, healing of the mind,

Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

5. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,

Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;

Because Thy promise I believe,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

5. Just as I am, Thy love unknown

Hath broken ev’ry barrier down;

Now to be Thine, yea Thine alone,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!

6. Just as I am, of that free love

The breadth, length, depth, the height to prove,

Here for a season then above,

O Lamb of God I come! I come!