



Love God



Love One Another



Do Mission Together

Home Group study: week beginning 9th January 2022

THEME: LET JUSTICE ROLL LIKE A RIVER

PASSAGE: Amos 1:1-2 and 2:4-16

LAUNCH

When did something happen to you or someone close to you that you felt was really unjust?
How did you feel & how did you respond?

Are there any injustices in the world today that are causing you to be concerned or even angry?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

In the first couple of verses of Amos chapter 1, God is described as a roaring lion (a bit like Aslan in the Chronicles of Narnia). If he were to look at our world today, what sort of things would he be roaring at?

Why is it important to see God as being just & powerful as well as loving?

The Amos 2 passage starts with God's serious concern about the worship of false idols. We may not worship idols in such a crude sense today (little statues) but there are still plenty about. Which idols are the greatest threat to you & me right now? How can we take precautions to avoid worshipping them?

The next few verses (6-8) describe 3 further sins that God is judging Israel for.

What are the 3 injustices and how are they unjust?

What might the modern-day equivalent of these injustices be?

How do we go about resisting or fighting them?

In verses 9-12 God reminds Israel about how good he has been to them. In what ways has God been good to us & how should this motivate us to follow his ways?

APPLICATION

In what simple, achievable, do it this week way can you make the world a less unjust place? Pray for one another to follow through on one simple plan of action or step (e.g. looking in on a neighbour, giving an isolated person a ring, checking your purchases are ethically sourced etc). Try to be accountable in carrying out this resolution

Pray for key areas of social justice within the church (Bags of Food, Oak Tree Cafe etc) that they will combine tackling social inequality with an advance of the gospel.