

Jer. 7:5-7

The 8th Word and Social Justice

The Eighth Word, Part Four

Sermon Notes for July 24, 2011 by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

Intro - Property, Tithe, Multiple Restitution; Family, Church and State

1. What Is Meant by "Social Justice?"
 - A. Biblical Justice and Its Effects on Society
 - B. Society's Redefinition of Justice Based on Humanistic Assumptions
Social Contract - Social Justice - "An Idiot God"
 - C. Biblical Emphases and Terminology Coupled with Non-biblical Statist Means
2. The Great Importance of Biblical Social Justice
 - A. More Important than Worship Jer. 7
 - B. The Father's Heart and Ours Jer. 9:23,24; Dt. 10:18,19; Ps. 68:5; 146:9
 - C. Severe Judgments for its Absence Eze. 16:49; Mt. 25:41-46
3. The Components of Biblical Social Justice
 - A. A Humble and Gracious Heart (Caveat - Lazy, etc.)
Humility, Ethanol Subsidies and Crony Capitalism
 - B. Equal Treatment in Court - Dt. 24:17 (Justice); 21:1-9 (No Indifference); Pr. 31:8,9
 - C. Make the Poor GLAD (Gleaning, Loans, Alms, Dues)
King Job - Job 31:16-20
 - D. Protecting (Including Politically) Private Property, the "Free" Market and the Family

Zech. 7:9,10
4. The Need for "Bible Heads" to Teach the World
 - A. Personal Responsibility vs. Blood Feuds - Dt. 24:16; Eze. 18:1-9; Gen. 3:9-13
Who is responsible, and to Whom?
 - B. Evaluating Corporate Responsibility - Bottom Lines
 - 1.) Walnuts and The Code - "... but not at the expense of the environment, human rights, the public health or safety, the communities in which the corporation operates, or the dignity of its employees."
 - 2.) The Triple Bottom Line (TBL, 3BL - People, Planet, Profit; Genetic Fallacy)
5. Pleasing God