

This is Wrong! Where are you

Isaiah 11 v1-10



God?

Injustice

For Paulo in Brazil and Peter in Dorking (see separate sheet).

'Your hands are full of blood'. Injustice in Judah and Assyria (Isaiah 1 v1-4, v15 & 2 Kings 18).

God of Justice <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/justice/>

Jesus is predicted in Isaiah 11v1-10.

'But with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth' (v4)

Justice is rooted in the idea that all people are made in the image of God, are equal before God & so should be treated with dignity and fairness. But we constantly redefine good and evil to our own advantage.

Righteousness, *Tsaddiq*, means an ethical standard for right relationships.

Justice, *Mishpat*, means restorative justice. That is not only helping the vulnerable (charity) but also advocating with and for them and challenging unjust systems.

Working with God for Justice: 3 suggestions

- A) Pray about an injustice you see. *'To pray is to change. Prayer is the central avenue that God uses to change us'*.
- B) Find out the political parties' views on issues of justice (eg poverty, climate change, education, business) and vote.
- C) Act for justice where you are and around the world.