

## Under the Sun Part 4: In Justice

Ecclesiastes 3:16 - 4:6

- 1. What was most memorable, challenging, or encouraging from the message this week?
- 2. What's your typical response when you see someone treating another person wrongly?
- 3. Read Ecclesiastes 3:16-21. When you think of the pain and suffering in the world, or even in your own life, do you struggle to believe God sees? How do you find faith in that place?
- 4. Read Ecclesiastes 4:1. Where do you see oppressed people with no one to comfort them throughout our world?
- 5. The teacher in Ecclesiastes seems to come to the conclusion that our response to injustice and oppression in life is to be quiet, enjoy our work, and don't be greedy. How would you respond to him?
- 6. Where are the places in your life, or sphere of influence, where you're sensing the Spirit wanting to do something through you to defend helpless people?

## **MOVING FORWARD**

In an "under the sun" world there will always be injustice and oppression. But as followers of Jesus we are called to a different way of living. We don't take advantage of helpless people, we defend them. This is a theme all throughout the Bible. How might God want to move in and through you to pursue justice?

## CHANGING YOUR MIND

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Luke 4:18-19