

# Introducing, Jesus



## JESUS IS JUST.

How many of you have seen the pictures of Jesus snugglin' with a sweet fluffy lamb? He looks so pleasant. 10/10 would hang out with, right?

So how does this correlate with Jesus being just? Can the gentle hand petting the lamb be the same hand that slams the gavel?

Yeah. Because Jesus is *love*. Even as he is angry, he is love. Even as he disciplines, he is love. Even as he is just, he is love.

He does not slam the gavel against us but fights for us, covers us, and ultimately redeems us.

## IN THE BIBLE.

### **1 Peter 3:18**

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, 19 in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, 20 because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely

through water. 21 Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

### **John 2:13-17**

13 When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. 15 So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" 17 His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

### **Micah 6:8**

He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

# QUESTIONS.

- 1.) How do you feel about Jesus being introduced as judge? Why?
- 2.) What does it mean that Jesus is not a judge against us, but for us?
- 3.) In the Micah verse, we're also told to "do justice." What does this mean?
- 4.) What do think the Christian's role should be in social justice?

**Whenever you read the Bible, ask yourself these three questions:**

1. What does this tell you about God?
2. What does this tell you about yourself and the world?
3. How is this going to change who you are and how you live?