

Living Like Christ in the Chaos

Various Passages

Opener: We come from different perspectives on the topics of immigration and the methods of enforcement of immigration laws. If you're meeting in a group, briefly share how personal these topics are to you and people you know.

Read Leviticus 19:32-33

1. How does God want his people to treat immigrants? If they have entered our country illegally, does that change how we should treat them?
2. Are the obligations of the individual different from those of the government toward those who are living here illegally? If so, how?

Read Proverbs 6:30-31

3. How does this passage inform our understanding of both compassion and justice?

Read Micah 6:8

4. Can you act justly and love mercy at the same time? If so, how can justice and mercy be expressed within the current social situations?
5. How do you decide when justice is needed or if this is a time for mercy?
6. How should "walking humbly with your God" be expressed by Christians as they live within the chaos and high emotions going on within our society?

Read Romans 13:1-7

7. Why should Christians be subject to the governing authorities?
8. What is owed to the governing authorities? Next, answer this question as it relates to ICE, the MN governor, and the President.
9. When should Christians disobey governing authorities? What is permissible and what is not permissible if/when a Christian is compelled to obey God rather than man? How should a Christian go about civil disobedience?

Read James 1:19-20

10. How can you apply these instructions to how you consume and respond to the news and the discourse surrounding current events?

Closing: What is the Holy Spirit leading you to do in response to what you have considered today in God's Word?