
God is Just

Main Idea

The justice of God is a powerful truth that shows us that God is utterly trustworthy and at the same time shows our need for Jesus Christ and God's great mercy in giving him to us.

Study Questions

1. Read Genesis 18:22-33 – This is the account of Abraham pleading with God to save the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah for the sake of any righteous people that may be there.
2. In pleading for the cities, Abraham gives a reason why utter destruction may not be a good idea. In verse 23, what question does Abraham put to God regarding God's plan to destroy the city? What do we know the answer to this question is?
3. Righteous people, people who belong to Jesus Christ, often suffer greatly alongside of wicked people. In what way should we understand that God will not sweep away the righteous with the wicked?
4. As Abraham continues to intercede for the righteous of the city, what question does he next ask God in verse 25? What do we know is the answer to this question?
5. God shall never sweep away the righteous with the wicked and He will always do what is right. In what ways do you find this to be both a comfort and a warning?
6. Now consider Romans 3:10. As God searches to save the cities of Abraham's day for the sake of the righteous, what righteous ones will He find? What will He find today if He embarks on the same search?
7. How then, if God is just, and always does what is right, can anyone ever be saved if no one is righteous? See Romans 3:23-26. Paul says here that the cross shows God's righteousness. How does the cross do that?
8. Romans 3:26 says that the cross is God being just and the justifier of the one who trusts Christ. How does the cross show that God is just?
9. Finally, consider I John 1:9. How is God doing what is just (right) when He forgives His children their sins?