

# The Gift of Justice

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## I. Introduction.

A. There are some who take everything straight and make it crooked.

B. Text: Matthew 12:15.

## II. Three characteristics of Jesus' justice.

A. Compassionate. Jesus was compassionate.

B. Triumphant. Justice will finally prevail as Christ accurately judges every wrong.

C. Complete.

1. In Jesus, the Gentiles would hope. (Isaiah 42)

2. All judgment would be given by the Father to the Son. (John 5)

3. Jesus will not only be able to judge the action—He will be able to judge the motives.

## III. Christians will be judged separately from everyone else.

A. Judgment will be individual.

B. Judgment will be tactful.

C. Judgment will be final.

## IV. Real justice will only happen through God. (Revelation 5)

## V. The believer will not be condemned because of his confidence in Christ the savior. (Romans 8)

### **Application questions:**

1. How do the characteristics of justice bring comfort to the person suffering from injustice?

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2. How would you respond to an atheist who denies God because of injustice in the world?

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3. Why is there a different standard for judgment for Christians and non-Christians? Explain.

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