



# A DISCIPLE'S PRACTICE OF JUSTICE, PART 2

## WHEN JUSTICE REQUIRES MY TIME, TREASURE AND TALENT

### MATTHEW 25:31-46

**THIS WEEK'S READING:** Matthew 22-25

**ICEBREAKER:** Have you ever experienced being the recipient of great generosity? Describe.

**BIBLE FOCUS:** Matthew 25:34-36,45

**COMMUNITY QUESTIONS:** When you think of the phrase "least of these" what or who comes to mind?

What is the setting of the story of the sheep and goats?

Why do you think Jesus shares this example?

Jesus mentions a list of compassionate characteristics. What are they? (verses 35-36)

Do you think this list is exclusive or is Jesus implying an ethic?

How would you understand verse 40?

How does this understanding motivate you in areas of mercy, justice and faithfulness?

Can you describe a time where this has been a practice in your life? A challenge? A personal blessing?

As a group, think about a practical way you could demonstrate this practice.

**REFLECTION/APPLICATION:** Share how the 23:23 challenge is going this week. In what ways can you demonstrate the characteristics of a "sheep" this week?