

Mercy Triumphs

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How Did We Get Here As A Society?

Angry. Tribalistic. Self-Righteous. Unforgiving.

1. We pretended that we changed the definition of:
_____ a. "Your eye shall not pity. It shall be life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot." – Deuteronomy 19:21.
2. We pretended that we have been evolving the:

3. We have gotten a taste of something we were never designed for: _____

How Did James Get There?

Mercy Triumphs Over Judgement

1. He goes after their _____ as judges. (v. 4-7)
2. He goes after their _____ to be judgmental (v. 8-11)
3. He reminds them of the great exchange (v. 12-13)

How Do We Get From Here To There?

Application – Using Micah 6:8

1. Drop the _____
(Walk humbly with your God)
2. Exercise _____ (Do Justice)
3. Love _____

My brothers,¹ show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. ¹¹For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

James 2:1-13