

## Compassion Sunday | | Micah 6:6-8

For the last few days, the Compassion Experience tent has been open to the community and over 2000 people have gone through it.

- Has anyone in your group been able to participate in the experience? If so, please tell us about it.
- Does anyone in your group currently sponsor a child through Compassion or another organization?
  - o If so, please share your experience with sponsorship.

The world is a broken place, and yet in that brokenness there is something stirred within us as followers of Jesus to rescue the broken pieces. Where justice is absent, Shalom is no longer in operation.

- Why does injustice bother us so much? What is it about the brokenness of the world that disturbs us?
- What are some of the forms of brokenness that you see on a daily basis?

**Together as a group Read Micah 6:6-8.** If someone has their phone, take a chance to read through it with both your favorite translation and the Message paraphrase.

- What constitutes a true injustice?
- What would it look like to act justly in a world of injustice?

As a group take turns reading the following biblical texts, looking for similarities between them: **Isaiah 58:3-9**, **Luke 4:16-21 and James 2:14-17.** 

- What were the similarities that you observed from all three texts?
- Is it too strong of a statement to say that as Christians "We have to care about injustice."

Being both against injustice and fighting for justice, mean that we admit that we were once vulnerable and needed someone to care for us, that we are all created in the image of God, and that our brokenness was healed through the gospel that gives us rescue.

- Knowing these truths, how should it affect how you view others?
- How do you stay mindful of giving in a sacrificial way?

Thomas Merton said, "...without love for others our love for Christ is fiction."

- Do you feel any conviction that you've not responded generously to issues of poverty and injustice?
- What can you do differently this week to care for the poor?

For more information on Compassion International or how to sponsor a child, go to compassion.com