

L3: Critical Theory Social Justice

Introduction:

Question #1: What does the Bible say about Justice?

Psalm 145:17 says, “The LORD is righteous in all His ways, And kind in all His deeds.”

Main Hebrew Word in the Old Testament is מִשְׁפָּט – “*carries a legal or judicial connotation, though it is used in variety of ways. It is often found in the context of some sort of dispute, whether between two differing human parties or between God and Israel.*”¹

Question #2: Should Christians get involved with social justice?

“Working towards a celebration of diversity implies working for **social justice – the elimination of all forms of social oppression...** Social injustice takes many forms. It can be injustice based on a person’s gender, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, or economic class.”

– Mary McClintock, “Readings for Diversity and Social Justice”, pg. 92.

Social “Justice” and Biblical “Justice” are very different from each other.

Conclusion:

Mark 14 notes on passage

¹ Mounce, W. D. (2006). [*Mounce's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old & New Testament Words*](#) (p. 373). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.