The Words of the Preacher: ECCLESIASTES

Life Under the Sun

Vanity of Earthly Justice

Ecclesiastes 8:10-17

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty God, Righteous Judge & Merciful Father. You order and ordain all things according to your righteousness. And according to your free and immutable counsel you order all things to the praise of your wisdom, power, justice, infinite goodness and mercy. Blessed be your name! We gather here this morning LORD asking for you Spirit to open our eyes that we might see and our ears that we might hear of your glorious justice. Oh that justice will roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream to your church & for your kingdom's sake. We ask for you to give us this heart. Grant us faith to fix our gaze on Jesus and the cross of Christ that we might glory in the justice you provided through His life, death and resurrection. Come now and prove yourself again faithful & true to reveal your glorious good to us your people for names' sake. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our righteous King. Amen & Amen

OUTLINE

- 1. Vanity of Delayed Justice (vv. 10-13)
- 2. Vanity of Disproportionate Justice (vv. 14-15)
- 3. Vanity of Determining Justice (vv. 16-17)

Central Textual Truth

The Preacher calls Israel to fear God in the midst of earthly injustice.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to trust Christ our righteousness from God.