

Stories with Intent

Am I Missing the Necessary Response to Persistent Injustice in the World?

Luke 18:1-8

Question: What is the necessary response when believers see or experience injustice in this world and feel as if we have no earthly power to change things?

I. The Reason for telling the Parable (1)

II. The Set Up (2-3)

- ~ Meet the characters: An unrighteous judge and a widow
- ~ Understand the situation: "give me justice!"

III. The Result (4-5)

- ~ Surprise, the unrighteous Judge gives justice.

IV. The Point of the Parable (6-8)

- ~ If the unrighteous judge gives justice, how much more will God?
- ~ If the desperate widow persisted in asking, how much more should we?

V. The Closing Question (8b)

- ~ When Jesus returns will he find people who demonstrate faith in prayer?

Point to Ponder: If evidence that we have faith in God is found in prayer, then when Jesus returns, would there be evidence to convict us as people of faith? Find regular outlets to cry out in prayer together (Join us Saturday mornings). See: opendoorsusa.org or persecution.com

Next Week: Next Sunday morning we will conclude our sermon series entitled *Stories with Intent* by considering **Luke 18:10-14** *Am I Missing the How I am Justified?*

