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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

## We Gather to Worship God

Welcome

Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song Prayer

#### We Listen to the Word

Sermon Series: Good Job Sermon: "Fair or Just?"

#### We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

## We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

\*Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen\*





Women of all ages are invited to come to eat, share, and pray

LADIES'
BREAKFAST
TABLE

Saturday, February 22
9:00am at Perkins

RSVP Delores Reese 717-512-4536 or

office@tablelifechurch.org by 1/23



For a complete list of ongoing ministries and upcoming events, please visit tablelifechurch.org.

#### Doggy Bag-

### Some questions to chew on:



- 1. What stood out to you in this message? What impacted you or challenged you the most?
- 2. Have you ever thought that a time of suffering in your life was the result of God being out to get you or punish you? How do you understand that suffering now and where God was in it?
- 3. In what ways do you see retributive justice used in our world? How has it been used in your life? What do you see as the result?
- 4. What is the difference between retributive and restorative justice? What are the goals and priorities of each?
- 5. Read the gospel passages John 9:1-12, Mark 10:17-27, and Luke 23:26-49. What popular thinking does Jesus refute? What kind of justice is in line with the character of Jesus?
- 6. What would it look like for you to act with restorative justice rather than retributive justice in a situation where you have been hurt or harmed?



If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/Pastor Kris about your relationship with Christ, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444

# Good Job "Fair or Just?" Pastor Kris Beckert

#### When we ask for justice, what do we really want?

#### I. The Structure of the Book of Job:

- Ch.1-2 Prologue: Sets the earthly and heavenly stages
- Ch. 3-37 Back and forth heated debate between Job and his friends about why he is suffering
- Ch. 38-42:6 God responds
- Ch. 42:7-17 Epilogue: Job is restored

#### II. Job questions God's \_\_\_\_\_

Job 6:24 Teach me, and I will be quiet; show me where I have been wrong.."

Job 6:28-30 "But now be so kind as to look at me. Would I lie to your face? 29 Relent, do not be unjust; reconsider, for my integrity is at stake. 30 Is there any wickedness on my lips? Can my mouth not discern malice?"

III. Two kinds of	<ul> <li>Goal of restorative justice: to heal and</li> </ul>
1 Justice	<ul> <li>Crime and wrongdoing signifies a deeper</li> </ul>
Job 8:1-3 Bildad from Shuah said: <sup>2</sup> How long will you talk and keep saying nothing? <sup>3</sup> Does God All-Powerful stand in the way of justice?	"Simply punishing the broken—walking away from them only ensures that they remain broken and we do, too."Bryan Stevenson
<ul> <li>Latin word retribuere means  "" </li> <li>If you behave well, you are treated well.</li> <li>If you behave badly, you are punished badly.</li> </ul>	Job 42:10 After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before.
Exodus 21:23-25 But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life, <sup>24</sup> eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, <sup>25</sup> burn for burn, wound for wound, bruise for bruise.	
Goal of retributive justice: to inflict	
<ul> <li>Jesus unraveled and corrected this kind of thinking about God's justice (John 9:1-12, Mark 10:17-27, Luke 23:26-49)</li> </ul>	Big Idea:
2 Justice	

Job 40:8 "Would you discredit my justice? Would you condemn me to justify yourself?