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15 Significant Women

Week 9: The Theology of Justice

Scripture: Luke 18:1–8

Focus: The Persistent Widow and the Unjust Judge.

1. Why is the widow the perfect metaphor for the Church's current state in the world?
2. Contrast the "Unjust Judge" with the character of God. Why does Jesus use a "negative" comparison here?
3. What is the difference between "persistent prayer" and "vain repetitions" (Matthew 6:7)?
4. How does the widow's cry for justice reflect the biblical call for *advocacy* for the oppressed?
5. Why does Jesus end this parable with a question about finding "faith on the earth" at His return?
6. How does the *Parousia* (the Second Coming) relate to our current pursuit of justice?
7. What happens to our prayer life when we believe God is "indifferent" like the Unjust Judge?
8. How can "biblical advocacy" be distinguished from "secular activism"?
9. In what ways is the "silence" of God an invitation to "persistent petitioning"?
10. How does scripting an "Advocacy Petition" change the way you view local or global suffering?

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