

A Portrait of God: Who Is God and What Is He Like? The God of Justice;  
Genesis 18, Romans 3

Proverbs 16:11 A just balance and scales belong to the Lord; All the weights of the bag are His concern.

Matthew 6:43-45 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may prove yourselves to be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

Proverbs 28:12-16 When the righteous triumph, there is great glory, but when the wicked rise, people hide themselves. One who conceals his wrongdoings will not prosper, but one who confesses and abandons them will find compassion... Like a roaring lion and a rushing bear is a wicked ruler over a poor people. A leader who is a great oppressor lacks understanding, but a person who hates unjust gain will prolong his days.

Isaiah 9:6-7 For a Child will be born to us, a Son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of armies will accomplish this.

Genesis 18:22-23 Then the men turned away from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham was still standing before the Lord. Abraham approached and said, "Will You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?"

Genesis 18:24-25 "Suppose there are fifty righteous people within the city; will You indeed sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from You to do such a thing, to kill the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous and the wicked are treated alike. Far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth deal justly?"

Genesis 18:26-32 So the Lord said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare the entire place on their account... I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.... I will not do it if I find thirty there... I will not destroy it on account of the twenty... I will not destroy it on account of the ten."

Romans 3:10-12 as it is written: "There is no righteous person, not even one; There is no one who understands, There is no one who seeks out God; They have all turned aside, together they have become corrupt; There is no one who does good, There is not even one."

Romans 3:21 But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, but it is the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus

Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Romans 3:24-25 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus, whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith.

Romans 3:25-26 This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in God's merciful restraint He let the sins previously committed go unpunished; for the demonstration, that is, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.