

The Holiness of God – R. C. Sproul

Week 3 - Holiness & Justice

Opening devotions: Rom. 9:9-16/prayer

Questions/thoughts

1. Over the past several hundred years, generally speaking, how has man's perception of the wrath and justice of God changed?
2. Some see the "God of the Old Testament" as capricious or even irrational, even to the point of having a defect in His character. Find some passages that prove these statements false.
3. What responsibilities did the Kohathites have?
4. Why did God strike Uzzah dead?
5. What was the Marcion heresy?
6. What did the theologian Kuhn say was so puzzling about God's justice?
7. Explain the differences between justice, injustice and mercy?

Thoughts to ponder

- *Let justice be done though the world perish.* Augustine
- *But blessed be His name. That which His holiness demanded His grace has provided in Jesus Christ our Lord.* A.W. Pink

Definitions

- Terse: sparing in the use of words; abrupt
- Capricious: given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behavior
- Canon: 1) a general law, rule, principle, or criterion by which something is judged 2) a collection or list of sacred books accepted as genuine
- Marcion: Marcion taught that the god of the Old Testament was not the true God, but rather that the true and higher God had been revealed only with Jesus Christ.
- Peccadillo: a small, relatively unimportant offense or sin
- Recalcitrant: having an obstinately uncooperative attitude toward authority or discipline

Closing prayer – R. C. Sproul