



AWAKENING

A Biblical View of Justice



We will come back stronger!




Isaiah 58:1

Shout with the voice of a trumpet blast. Shout aloud!
Don't be timid. Tell my people Israel of their sins!



Isaiah 58:2-3a


Yet they act so pious! They come to the Temple every day and seem delighted to learn all about Me. They act like a righteous nation that would never abandon the laws of its God. They ask Me to take action on their behalf, pretending they want to be near Me. “We have fasted before You!” they say.

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- Act religious
 - Great attendance
 - High view of Scripture
 - Study Bible
 - Pray
 - Fast

The background features a dark, starry space-like pattern. In the top left, there is a circular inset showing a detailed street map. In the top right, a yellow construction crane is visible against a light blue sky. In the bottom left, a photograph shows a large-scale construction site with multiple cranes and building structures. In the bottom right, a red brick wall is partially visible.

Isaiah 58:3b-4

[They say,] “Why aren’t You impressed? We have been very hard on ourselves, and You don’t even notice it!” “I will tell you why!” I respond. “It’s because you are fasting to please yourselves. Even while you fast, you keep **oppressing** your workers. What good is fasting when you keep on **fighting** and **quarreling**? This kind of fasting will never get you anywhere with Me.”

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Isaiah 58:5b-11

...Do you really think this will please the Lord? No, this is the kind of fasting I want: Free those who are wrongly imprisoned; lighten the burden of those who work for you. Let the oppressed go free, and remove the chains that bind people. Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them, and do not hide from relatives who need your help.



Isaiah 58:5b-11

Then your salvation will come like the dawn, and your wounds will quickly heal. Your godliness will lead you forward, and the glory of the Lord will protect you from behind. Then when you call, the Lord will answer. “Yes, I am here,” He will quickly reply. Remove the heavy yoke of oppression. Stop pointing your finger and spreading vicious rumors! Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble.



Isaiah 58:5b-11

Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. The Lord will guide you continually, giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength. You will be like a well-watered garden, like an ever-flowing spring.



Kingdom Justice

1. It can ignite a spiritual awakening.
2. It is proof of authentic faith.



What are people saying about justice?

The fight for
equal rights



Maintaining
law & order

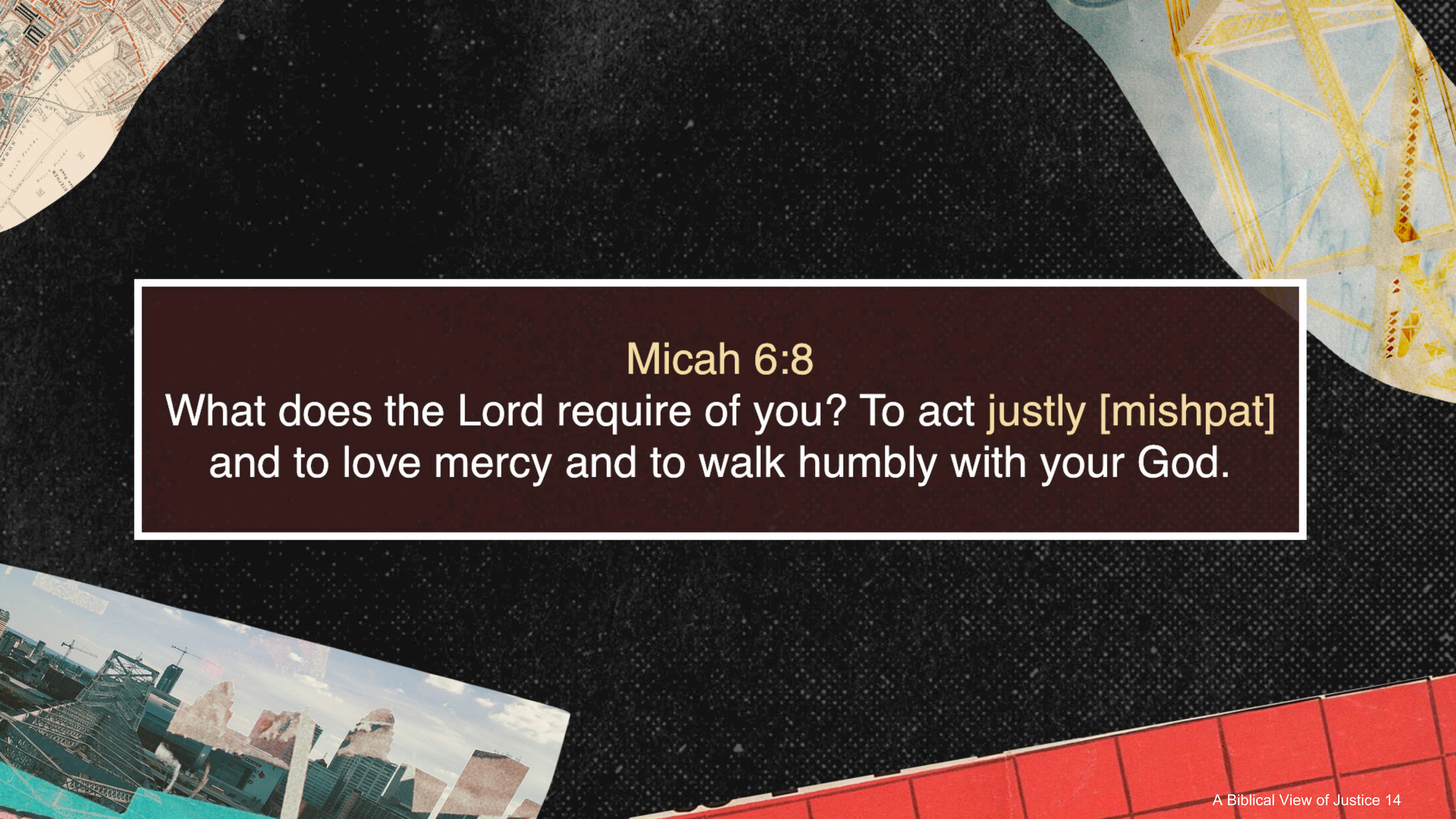


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Micah 6:8

What does the Lord require of you? To act **justly [mishpat]** and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

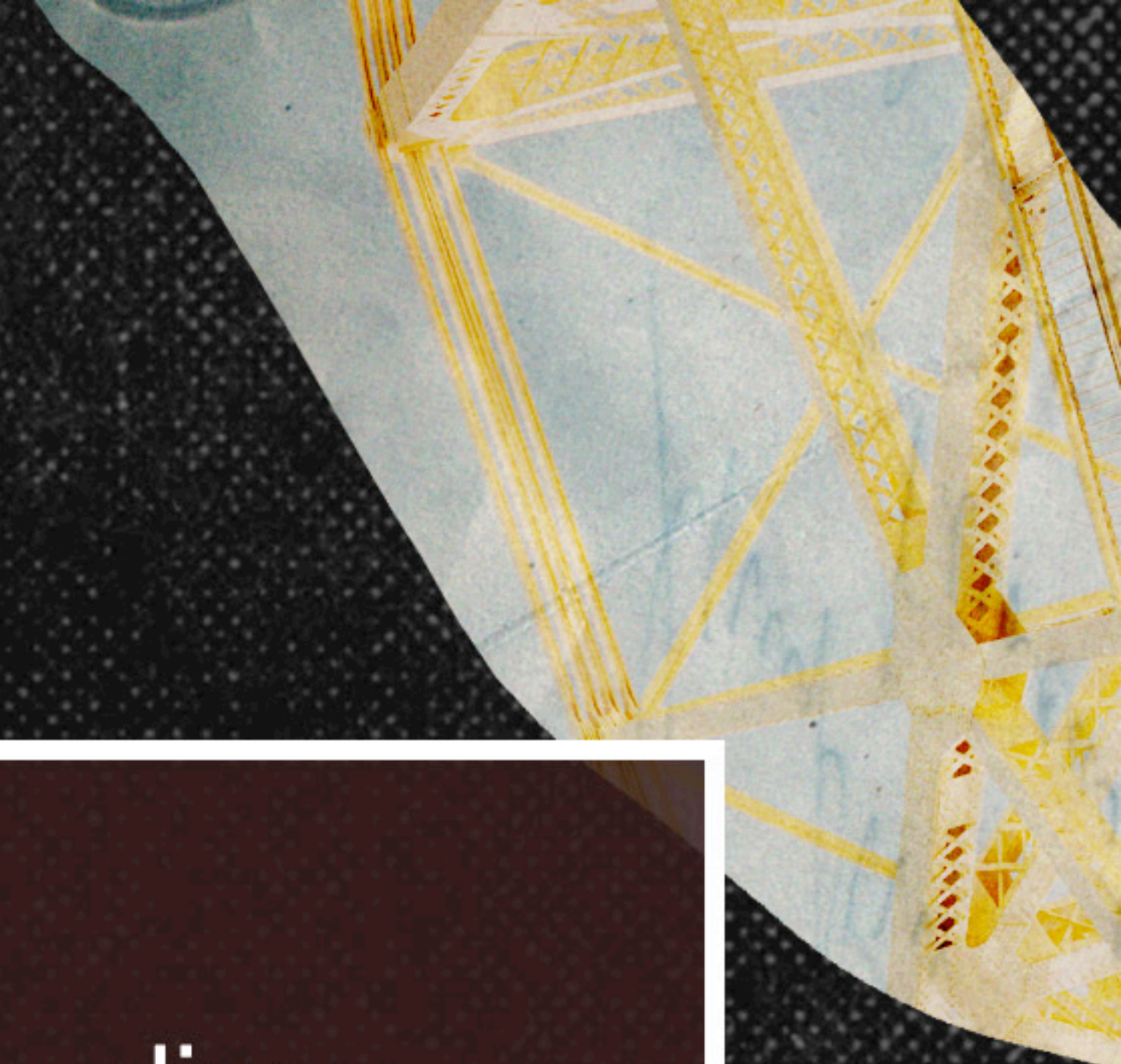
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Fair Law
& Process



Leviticus 24:22
You shall have **one law [mishpat]** for the alien
and for the citizen: for I am the Lord your God.



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**Fair Law
& Process**

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**Equal Rights &
Opportunity**



Zechariah 7:9-10

Thus has the Lord of hosts said, “Dispense true **justice [mishpat]** and practice kindness and compassion each to his brother; and do not oppress the **widow** or the **orphan**, the **stranger** or the **poor...**”

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- Widow
 - Orphan
 - Poor
 - Stranger
 - People of Color
 - Refugees

- The Unborn
- The Homeless
- Women
- Single Parents
- The Elderly



Royalty

Court

Priests

Rich

Peasants

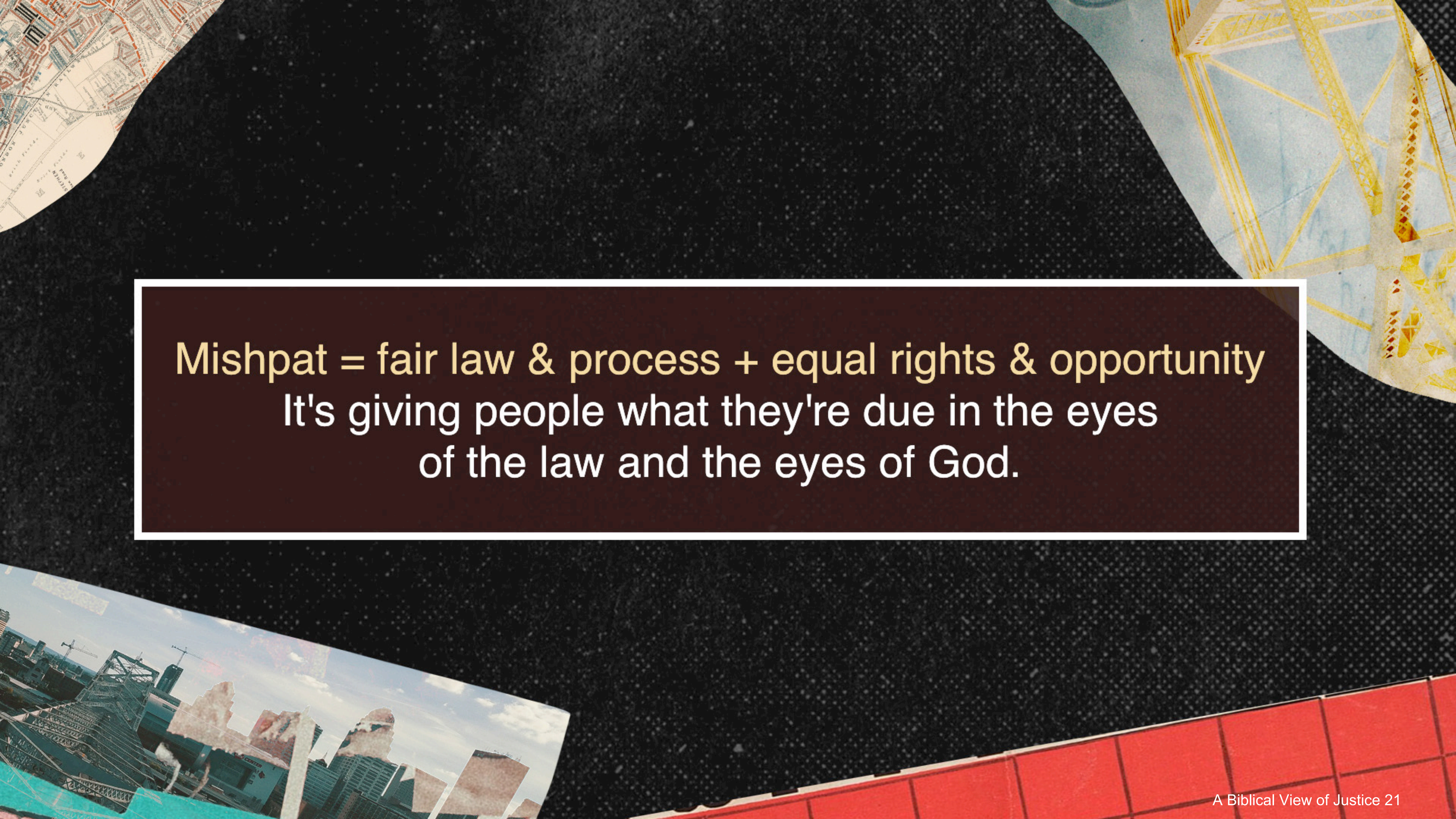
Slaves

Men

Women

Children

Ethnic Outsiders



Mishpat = fair law & process + equal rights & opportunity
It's giving people what they're due in the eyes
of the law and the eyes of God.

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**A Life of Right Relationships
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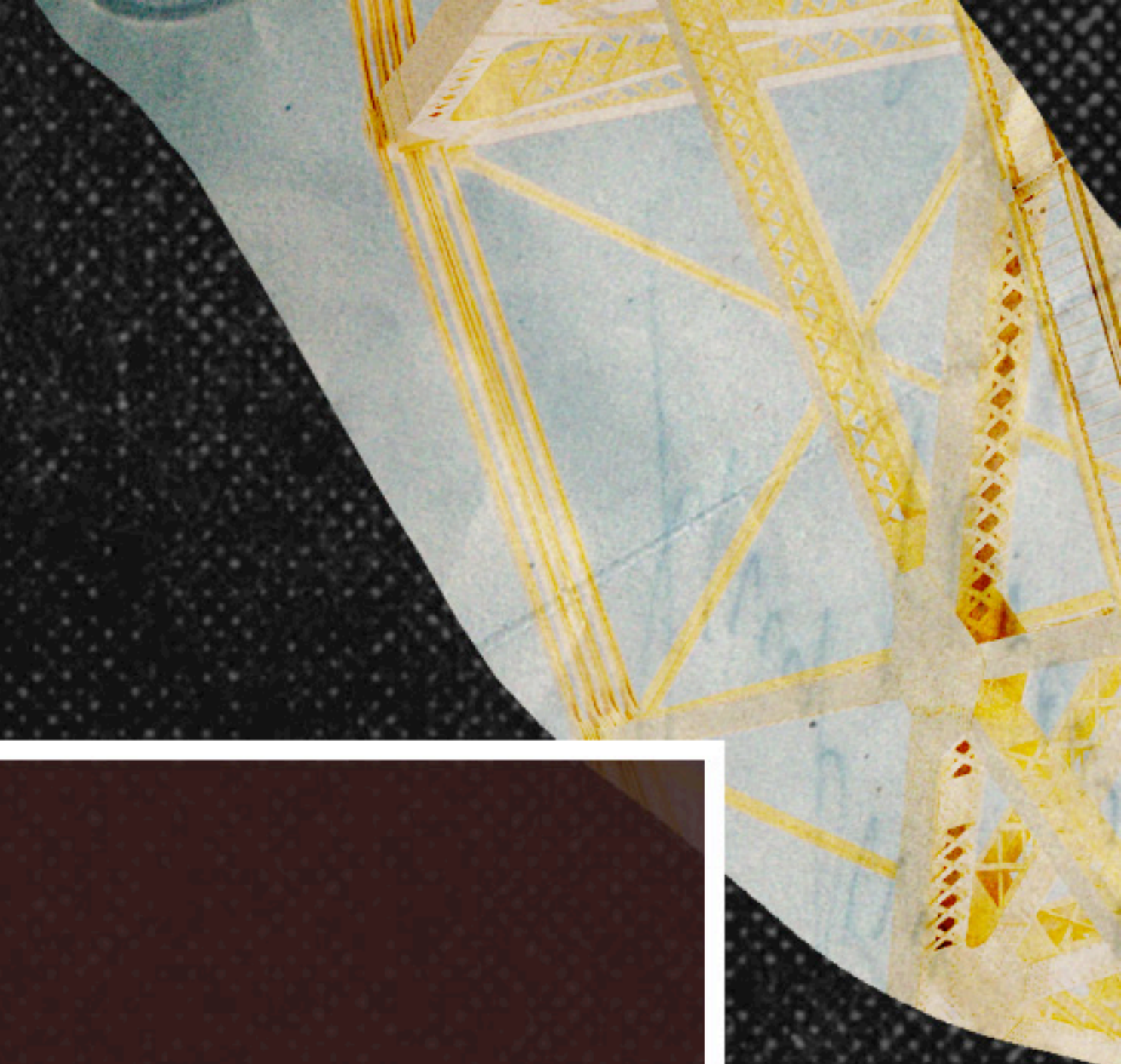
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**Equal Rights &
Opportunity**

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**A Life of Right Relationships
with God & Others**

**Rights + Relationships
Fairness + Friendship
Liberty + Love**



COVID-19

1. Love our neighbors.
2. Pray, pray, pray.
3. Serve our partners.





Final Compassion Update:

- Snack Packs: 38,534
- Pantry Items collected: 27,325
- Hygiene Kits: 2,402

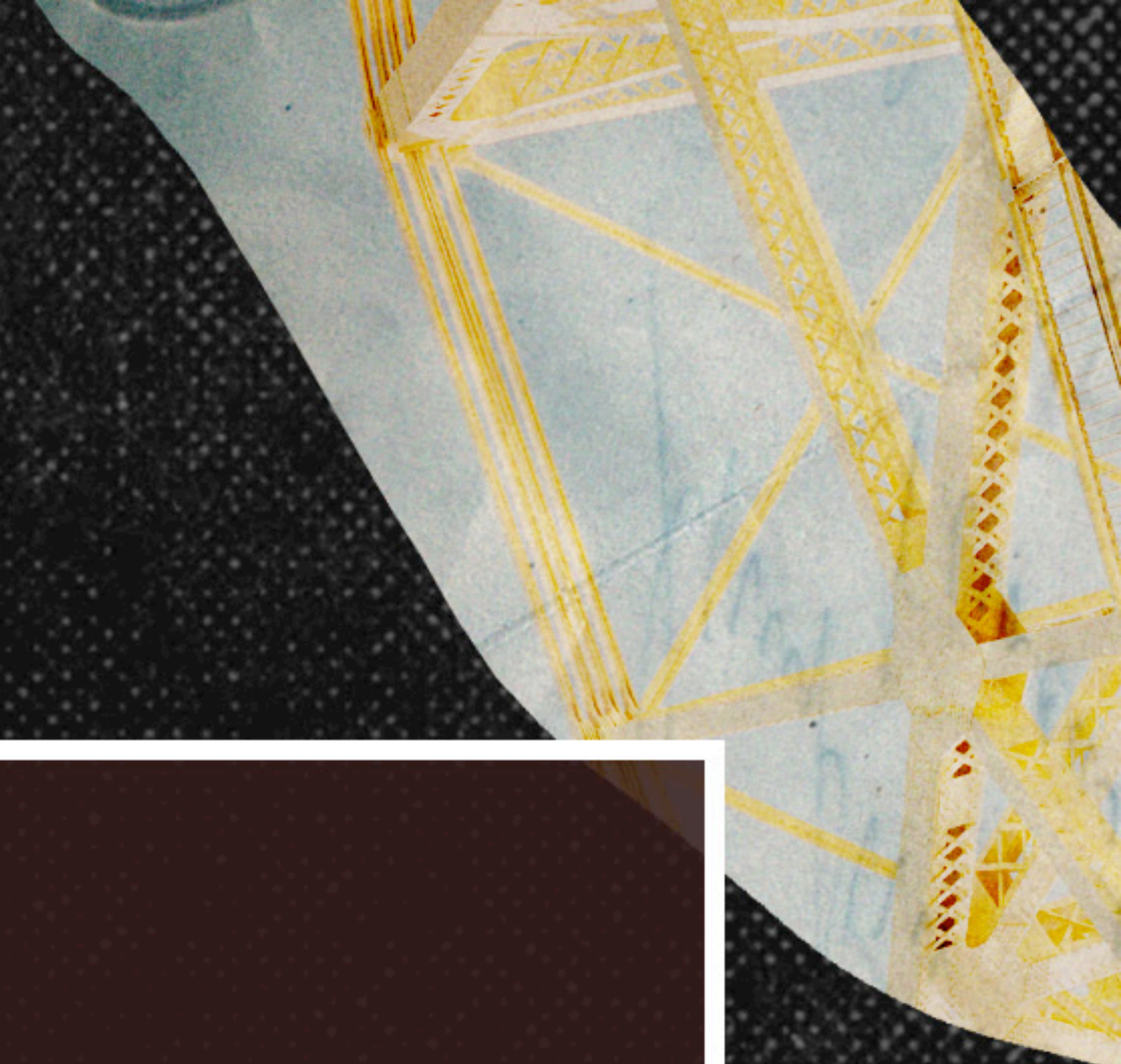
Community Impact

- 50 Non-profits, churches & businesses
- 25 Schools
- 250+ Individual Deliveries
- Reached 34 Zipcodes and 5 counties



Economic Recession

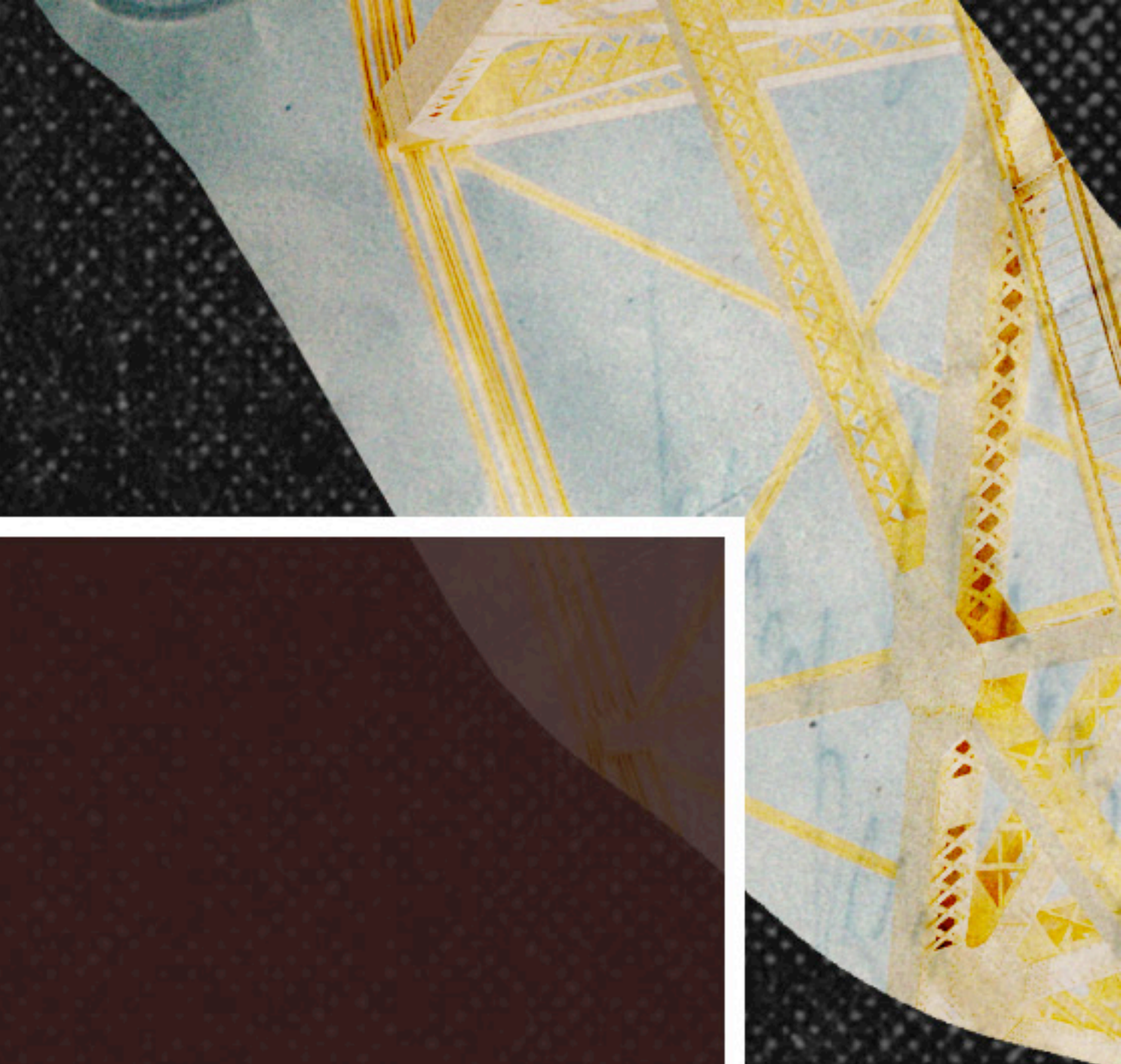
- Small Business mentoring program
- On-site food pantry
- \$125,000+ raised
- Stimulus Package (coming soon)



Kingdom Justice Plan

1. Learn
2. Pray
3. Act



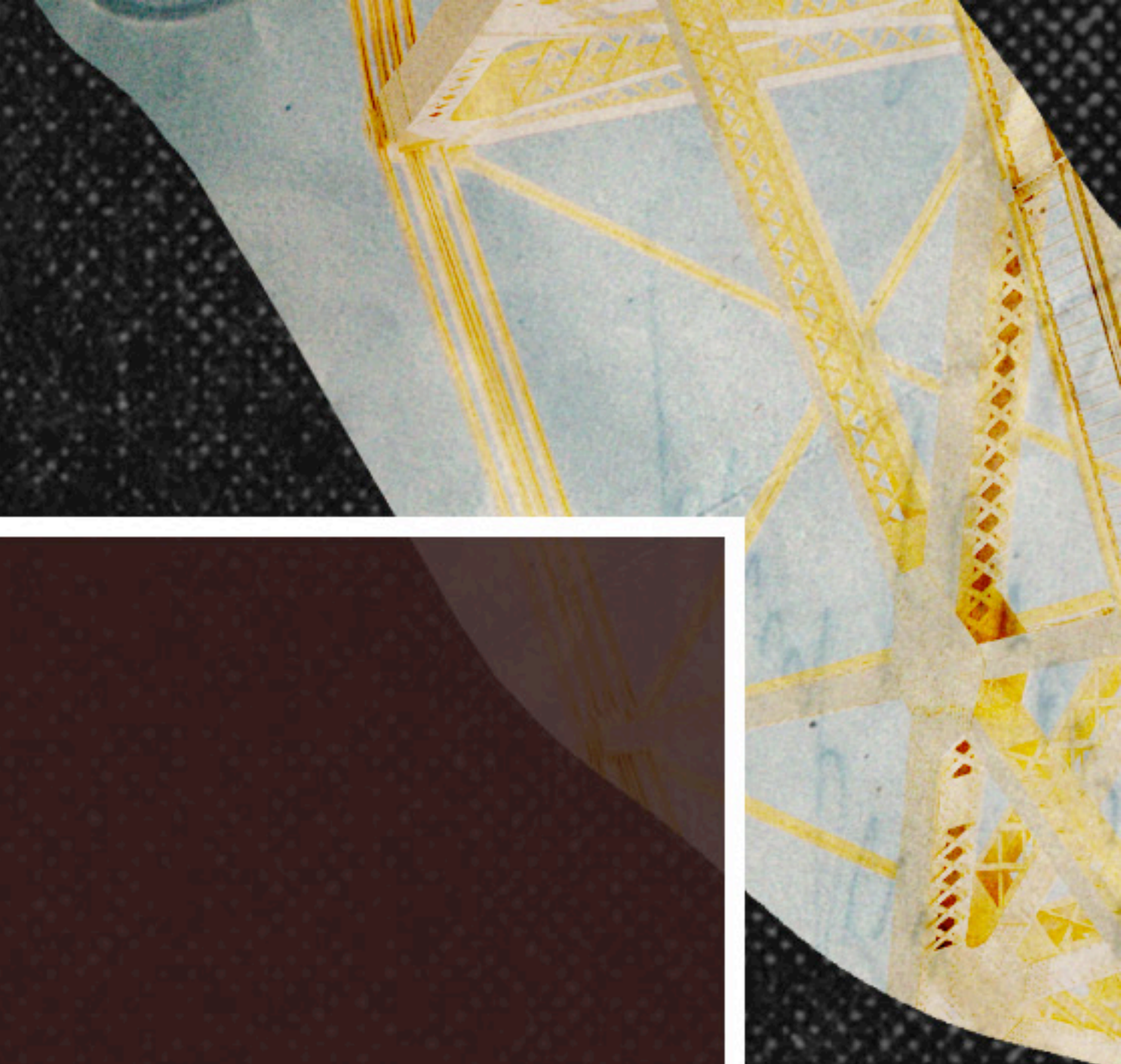


July
Bingo
August 2nd
School Blitz



BLITZ

Leave an extra big tip	Give blood	Send a graduation gift to a student who missed this important rite of passage.	Order from a local restaurant	Take food to your local fire department
Check in on your black and brown friends. Ask "How can I help or pray?"	Buy or make snacks and deliver to hospital waiting room, nurses station, police station, fire station, homeless shelter.	Support a minority owned business.	Write an encouraging note to a different person for each day of the week	Pay for someone else's meal
Clean out your house and donate what you don't need	Go to a park, college campus, downtown or a neighborhood and pick up trash	FREE SPACE Serve with us on Blitz Day - Sunday, August 2	Go to a supermarket, gather up shopping carts and return them	Surprise your neighbor with a thoughtful gift
Take gift cards to teachers at local schools	Pray God's kingdom come and His will be done in Louisville as in Heaven.	Write an encouraging note to a coworker	Write a thank you note and give it to a worker at your local grocery store for serving through COVID-19.	Take dinner to a new mom or a friend in need
Invite a friend, family, or loved one to your watch party!	Share about your favorite local restaurant on social media to show them some love	Send encouraging notes, food, or care packages to local law enforcement	Purchase gift cards from Uber, grocery stores, and local restaurants and send them to Church for our outreach partners.	Ask 3 people in your neighborhood, workplace, or city how they are doing and genuinely listen to what they have to say



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Isaiah 61:1-2

[The Messiah will say,] “The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon Me, for the Lord has anointed Me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent Me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed. He has sent Me to tell those who mourn that the time of the Lord’s favor has come, and with it, the day of God’s anger against their enemies.”



In Jesus, we find

- the wisdom to balance truth & love.
- the humility that keeps us from looking down on the poor.
- the generosity to stop blaming and take responsibility.
- the strength to forgive.
- the patience, kindness, and self-control to not cancel.
- the hope to keep working.
- our King!