

DOING THE THINGS JESUS DID

FOOD AS JUSTICE PART ONE

BEGIN WITH PRAYER

Gather together as a Community in a comfortable setting (around a table, on the couch, the floor of a living room, etc.). Have somebody lead a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to lead and guide your time together.

DISCUSSION:

1. Have you been able to listen to the past two sermons on the Kingdom and our resources? What did you think?
2. How often do you think about the story behind your resources and food and how it affects the world around you?

READ THIS OVERVIEW

The entire Bible showcases God's great concern for the poor and the hungry. In God's economy, those with much are to sacrifice for those with little. This includes feeding the hungry.

Because our relationship with food and how/what we choose to buy and to eat impacts the world in real ways, we want to talk together about creative ways to recapture God's heart for food as an instrument of kindness, compassion and justice.

When we talk about the way food choices impact the Kingdom, it is easy for things to devolve into new law or self-righteousness. Today instead of making legalistic lists of what foods we should or shouldn't buy, what grocery stores we utilize, and what restaurants we visit we want to simply have some conversation about food. The discussion is meant to prompt thinking about what it means to live in God's kingdom, and how food is a part of Kingdom life.

This practice has two parts. The first part is this week. It is a discussion about things to consider when purchasing and consuming food. The second part is next week. As a whole church we will be serving a meal next Sunday (June 12) night at Gap Ministries. We want this to be an extension of the Food as Justice conversation as we experience using food as a tool of mercy, compassion, and kindness.

PART ONE

What does it mean/what is the value in considering these things in light of the Kingdom of God?

- Do you regularly give thought where your food comes from before you buy/eat it?
- Have you ever considered the impact or value of buying from local/family farms or farmers markets?
- Have you ever considered the impact of plastics and packaging on the environment?

PART TWO

Sign up to serve with us at GAP Ministries this coming Sunday, June 12 at <https://redemptionchurchga.com/upcoming-events/>

CLOSE IN PRAYER