Yahweh, let Your anger come out and rise up against the enemies of You. Wake up and bring about justice throughout Your world. (Psalm 7:6)

See It:

'Speak loudly for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed. Yes, speak up for the poor and helpless, and see that they get justice.' (Proverbs 31:8-9)

On It:

There is something deep inside of us that screams out for justice. When you were a bit younger you might have declared to your mom, 'That's not fair!' That's what we're talking about. God put that desire for justice in us. But too often it is too easy to do nothing. When the least popular kid at school is being bullied it is easier to ignore or play somewhere else than to stop the bully or call the teacher. When an adult is hurting someone, you know it is easier to do nothing than to tell your officer or Sunday School teacher. But these verses command us to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Live It:

There are thousands of children dying everyday around the world because they don't have enough food, medicine or clean water to survive. There are lots of ways we try to help, and one way is to sponsor a child. Talk to mom or dad about helping out in this way and then <u>salvationist.ca/world-missions/brighter-futures/</u> or <u>salvationist.ca/worldmissions/gifts-of-hope/</u> for more information! Together, we're making a world of difference

Gifts



Do It:

Ask your Sunday School teacher to help you come up with a project that will help the poor in another country.

in it:

Give me the strength to be able to fight against terrible things that are happening in Your world.

Eat It: Memorize this verse

'Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgement, (Hebrews 9:27)

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Chronicles 22-24, & 1 Thessalonians 3

You are going to judge the world with Your idea of right and wrong. You are going to rule the world and bring justice! (Psalm 9:8)

See It:

'Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.' (Isaiah 1:17)

On It:

On some Saturday mornings a group of very powerful people come together to fight. They call themselves the League of Justice. Batman, Superman, Spiderman, and so on are all about getting the bad guys. They want to stop the bad guys from doing bad things that hurt innocent people. In that way Junior Soldiers are junior superheroes, fighting for justice. According to Isaiah, we are to learn to do right. Sometimes we are stuck when we face bad situations because we don't know what to do. We're to encourage the oppressed. That can mean anything from being friends with the person who gets bullied to sponsoring a child in a poor country. Help them. God help us.

Live It:

If you go to <u>salvationist.ca/world-missions/gifts-of-hope/</u> you can get to 'Gifts of Hope'. This is where you can buy something for someone overseas that they desperately need like a cow or some chickens. This becomes the gift that you give to your friend or family member on their birthday or Christmas instead of buying something for them that they don't really need. You give them the card that shows them how they can help someone overseas. Maybe you could ask mom or dad to buy something from that menu for you for your birthday this year!



Do It:

Give your week's pocket money (or some other money you have) into the project you came up with yesterday.

in it:

Please inspire all of Your children to be generous in their giving so that there is no longer poverty throughout the world.

Eat It: Hebrews 9:27

'People are destined to die once.' Now, of course, this means all men and women and boys and girls. It means that they die once. In a verse, the Bible shoots down the wrong belief in reincarnation (the wrong belief that you die and then come back to live a life as a monkey or goat or another human being). You only die once.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Chronicles 25-27, & 1 Thessalonians 4

You are known by Your Justice. Those people who work against You and who trap Your children in injustice are going to be punished by You. (Psalm 9:16)

See It:

'I will establish your descendants as kings forever; they will sit on your throne from now until eternity.' (Psalm 89:4)

On it:

The power that King Jesus rules with is based on righteousness (that's goodness) and justice – they are the foundation of His throne. This is fantastic news for us. We can be safe knowing that He is Good and that His reign is based in goodness. But we can also be happy knowing that He is fair and that He brings justice. You might say that He IS good, and He DOES good (or right). As King Jesus' loyal subjects, we are committed to being good and doing good (or right) in our world. May His love and faithfulness lead you today in your war fighting. God help us.

Live It:

William Booth, in his final talk declared, 'While women weep, as they do now, I'll fight; while little children go hungry, as they do now, I'll fight; while men go to prison, in and out, in and out, as they do now, I'll fight; while there is a drunkard left, while there is a poor lost girl upon the streets, while there remains one dark soul without the light of God, I'll fight-I'll fight to the very end!' This goes to show just how important helping others was to our founder, and how important it should be to all of us.

Do It:

Ask three other children to give up some of their pocket money for this project.

in it:

Please help our leaders in governments around the world to know how to help all those struggling with poverty and injustice.

Eat It: Hebrews 9:27

If you only die once, it follows that you also only live once. It means that you should focus on living your one life very well. It is important to submit to Jesus right away and to try to get as many other people as you can to follow Him right away as well.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Kings 1, 1 Chronicles 28, Psalm 91, & 1 Thessalonians 5

You are righteous! You are Holy! You are good! You love justice! And all those who serve you in the name of justice and goodness will see Your face. (Psalm 11:7)

See It:

'Praise the Lord your God, who is so happy with you and has placed you on the throne as king to rule for him. Because God loves Israel and desires this kingdom to last forever, He has made you king over them so you can rule with justice and righteousness.' (2 Chronicles 9:8)

On it:

We want you to be a good Junior Soldier (if you are not a Junior Soldier yet, then talk to your officer this week about it). And we want you to be a good Corps Cadet when you are old enough. Corps Cadets are trained to be good leaders. In this verse it is clear that the king is supposed to maintain righteousness (goodness) and justice. As you become a leader, you, too, are supposed to maintain goodness and justice. So, be fair to those on your team or in your group or your class. And be good to them. It will be part of your responsibility to God and to them. And the great part is, God will help you.

Live It:

We are against slavery and must be active in trying to end slavery throughout the world. Check out <u>braveglobal.ca</u> to find out ways you can help girls who are vulnerable to this evil in our own country.

Do It:

Ask three adults to give up some of their pocket money for this project.

in it:

Watch the news today on TV or online and pray for the people and places that are going through difficult times. Ask God to bring peace and love into the situations.



Eat It: Hebrews 9:27

'And after that to face judgement.' So, we die. And then we face judgement. There are a lot of question marks in life. We don't know how our lives will go – whether we will marry or have children or live in a certain city or country or accomplish great things for God or... But we know these two things: 1. We will die (unless Jesus returns first!); 2. We will all be judged.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Kings 2, 1 Chronicles 29, Psalm 95, & 2 Thessalonians 1

You love when the right thing has been done. You love when Your children are treated fairly. The whole earth is filled with Your love. (Psalm 33:5)

See It:

'Cursed is anyone who denies justice to foreigners, orphans, or widows.' And all the people will say, "Amen." (Deuteronomy 27:19)

On It:

You've probably heard kids curse other kids at school. They might say, "you're so stupid, there's no way you can do math" or "everyone will laugh at you if you try out for the school play". It isn't nice. But the curses here are even bigger than the schoolyard variety. These have to do with spiritual health and destiny. And who is getting cursed here? Well, a group of people are calling curses down upon THEMSELVES if they don't act to bring about justice! Whew! That's a huge thing. It's like saying, if I don't stand up for the kid getting bullied, curse me; if I don't help the kid who has no father, curse me; if I don't help the old lady who is all by herself and is lonely and needy, curse me. Wow. This one is a tough one! God help us.

Live It:

One example of slavery that you can help stop has to do with Chocolate. Chocolate comes from cocoa beans and half of those come from the Ivory Coast. Right now, thousands of children are being used as slaves to get the cocoa beans that go to make the chocolate that we buy at the supermarket! We must spread the word so people know! Eat 'fairtrade' chocolate instead of chocolate that enslaves boys and girls. Find a way to help!

Do It:

Write a letter to your favourite chocolate companies and ask them to stop using slaves!

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in it:

Please comfort the children that are trapped in slavery and please send people to save them!

Eat It: Hebrews 9:27

Since we know that we will be judged it is important to know how to face judgement. We must repent of our sin, believe, and follow Jesus. Our sins will be forgiven, and we will be born again. We will face judgement without sin. And we will go to Heaven. Without Jesus' forgiveness we will face judgement with sin our lives so we will not be able to enter Heaven. That means we will end up in hell.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Kings 3, 2 Chronicles 1, Psalm 78, & 2 Thessalonians 2

You are holy and good. Your righteousness is like a mighty mountain that is big and strong, and Your justice is endless like an endless, deep hole where the bottom cannot be seen. (Psalm 36:6)

See It:

'Good and real religion for God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you.' (James 1:27)

On it:

Some people figure you are a good religious type if you dress in nice clothes, sing the right songs, show up to the meeting on Sunday morning, carry a big Bible and say the right words (and don't say any bad words!) and so on. These things are not necessarily bad – they can be great if you do them out of the right attitude and if they line up with the rest of your life. But they do not equal a pure religious life. What does? Well, according to God our Father, if we keep ourselves from getting messed up by the world (that's holiness) and if we care for those in need (that's mercy) we are all set. Holiness and mercy brings about justice in our world. Caring for orphans and widows and refugees and victims involves helping with their needs and removing the situation that bring about their needs. That second part is justice. God help us.

Live It:

Did you know that somewhere in the world, a child dies every three seconds from disease or hunger?

Do It:

Ask to do a class presentation and tell your class some facts about injustice around the world. Give them some ways they can help and then help them with their plan.

in it:

Please help children who are sick and dying to know that You love them. Please send some Christians to them and show them how they can help the children.

Eat It: Hebrews 9:27

It is important to tell everyone we can that they need to get ready to face judgement. The only way to prepare for judgement is to live your life the best way possible in following Jesus.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Kings 4-5, 2 Chronicles 2, Psalm 101, & 2 Thessalonians 3



God of glory, secure the passage of those who obey You. We pray, and You answer. We call out for help and You say, 'Here I am.' (Isaiah 58:7-8)

See It:

'No, this is the kind of fasting I want: Free those who have been put in prison wrongly; 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 58:6-7 - but read the whole chapter)

On It:

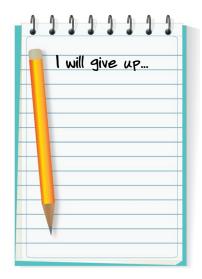
General William Booth, the Founder, looked to Isaiah 58 as the charter of The Salvation Army – the whole foundation for our work. It talks about fasting. Fasting is normally when you stop eating and pray instead. Fasting is a good thing when we do it with good motives. But in these verses God tells us He is looking for something more. His kind of fast includes freeing those wrongly imprisoned and stopping oppression. It involves sharing your food and your home and your clothing with those who need them. This is justice in action. And God likes it when we do it. God help us.

Live It:

Today, 21 million people throughout the world are forced into lots of forms of slavery. That means that people are taken against their will and forced to do things for others that hurts them. 21 million! That is more than half the population of Canada! That is too many, and The Salvation Army is working hard to try to end slavery. We need your help so start spreading the word!

Do It:

Think of a treat or snack you regularly eat and then decide that you will give it up. Instead of spending money on that, give that money to your Corps Officers and ask them to send it to the Self Denial fund to help others.



in it:

Remember the poor today, Lord. Inspire me to have a passion to help them more and more as I grow up.

Eat It:

'Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgement.' (Hebrews 9:27)

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Kings 6, 2 Chronicles 3, Psalm 97, & Romans 1