

Promotion of Social Righteousness

Jeremiah 29:4–14

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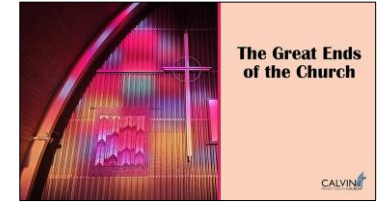


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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- What comes to mind when you hear the phrase “social righteousness”? What would you include in a definition or description?
- *Read Jeremiah 29:4–14.* Given that the Israelites are living as exiles in Babylon, what is encouraging about the LORD’s message? What is perhaps surprising or unexpected?
- What exhortations or commands are given? To follow the LORD’s instructions, what will be specifically required of the people as long as they live in Babylon?
- How is the welfare of God’s people directly connected to the peace and prosperity of the foreign society in which they live? Though our situation is radically different, what enduring principles should guide how Christians engage with society today?
- What facets of our contemporary society might God care deeply about? What would be God’s desire for righteousness and justice in each area?
- Why is “the promotion of social righteousness” considered one of the great ends or purposes of the Church? What is gained from pursuing this aim? What’s lost if we do not?
- What tools has God given the Church for promoting social righteousness? How do we follow the will of our Lord and the ways of Jesus when we use them faithfully?
- Where does our church do well in promoting social righteousness? Where might we improve? How can you and/or your small group be a part of that?

*Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.