

Week of Sept 28

Righteousness is doing right by God and doing right by people for the right reasons.

DISCUSSION & PRAYER (PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7)

What has God done that you are thankful for this week?		What challenge are you facing?
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Judges 15:1-11 (Read this passage on your own and aloud as a group.)		
Z	1. What stands out to you from this passage?	
REFLECTION	2. The account of Samson is <i>descriptive</i> (something that happened), not <i>prescriptive</i> (an example we should follow). In the few verses you read, what factors do you see that contributed to the escalation in violence?	
APPLICATION 1. Read <u>1 Peter 3:9</u> . This passage is prescriptive about how followers of Jesus should live. When the world seems to be going crazy around you, what does it look like for you to respond to evil with a blessing?		
2.	Read <u>1 Peter 3:10-17</u> . How does repaying evil with a blessi	ng do any good in the world?
3.	What attitude or action do you feel like God may want to a	djust in how you respond to evil in the world?

NOTE: It's the second week of Small Group! Make sure to catch any stragglers up on the <u>Small Group</u> <u>Covenant</u>, the shared expectations for your group. Start planning a service project that reaches outside the church, and a social that helps build relationships within your group.