



## BIG IDEA

**Injustice is inevitable; responding like Jesus is up to you.**

## WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO KNOW?

Share about a time when you remember being treated unfairly. How did you respond?

Recall the story of Joseph found in Genesis 39. What perspective does the story of Joseph give you about enduring hardship or injustice?

How does your upbringing affect your views about injustice? How do these views impact the way you see others treated unjustly around you?

## WHAT IS MY INITIAL REACTION?

**Read Matthew 20:1-16.** How does our American perspective differ from this teaching of Jesus?

If you had worked all day, how would you view the worker that had only worked for an hour yet received the same pay? What if the roles had been reversed? How does this impact your view of fairness?

**Read 1 Peter 2:18-20.** Is there something that surprises you in this passage? How does your reaction toward injustice change after reading this?

Have you ever felt pleased when others received unfair treatment? Why are we more often upset about the small injustices done to us rather than racial, social and economic injustices done to others?

## WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

What areas of your life do you see injustice on a regular basis? How do we bring justice without seeking revenge?

**Read Romans 12:17-21.** Is there an injustice that you have suffered that you need to forgive so that it doesn't lead to bitterness?

As we've learned, God will ultimately avenge all injustices. However, if responding like Jesus is up to us, how do verses 20 and 21 teach us to respond?

