## Scriptural Texts:

Micah 6:8; Luke 6:27-28; 35-36; Philippians 2:1-8

## Main Points:

- 1. Doing the right thing is always the right thing to do. Adding bad behavior to a situation never makes anything better.
- 2. Obstacles to "doing justly" include: justifying our bad choices, blaming others, thinking and acting like a victim, self-deceit, and minimizing our actions.
- 3. Do not be bothered with whether you are being justly dealt with or not. To look for justice is a sign of deflection from devotion to him. Never look for justice in this world, but never cease to give it. Oswald Chambers
- 4. When I give mercy to others, I am demonstrating that I understand and appreciate I am saved only by God's mercy.
- 5. Loving mercy is a powerful agent in the lives of others, leading them to God's grace and forgiveness.
- 6. Pride is acting as if God is subordinate to us. Humility is living in the truth that we are subordinate to God.
- 7. When we walk through the door of humility, we walk through one of the most powerful doors in our walk with Jesus, because walking humbly clears the way for him to work through our life in the most amazing way.

## Questions:

- 1. In what ways would God want you to "Do Justly" in your relationships and life-choices?
- 2. How has God been merciful to you? How can you show appreciation by responding in kind? Be specific.
- 3. What false beliefs hinder you from "Walking Humbly?" (examples: "I can't really trust God to help me." "I believe I can handle things just fine without God." "God doesn't care about being involved in my life.") What is the truth?

## Prayer of Response:

Lord God, help me live by the truth that you are trustworthy and the best choice to lead my life. Your gift of mercy and forgiveness of my sins is truly amazing. By your power, I desire to live in a way that reflects that reality. Let your Holy Spirit guide me to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly. In Jesus name, amen.

Commitment: After prayerful meditation on this podcast, I am going to \_\_\_\_\_