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Social Justice: justice in terms of the distribution of wealth, opportunities, and privileges within a society.

– *Oxford Languages Dictionary*

Just: based on or behaving according to what is morally right and fair.

– *Oxford Languages Dictionary*

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Micah 6:8

Isaiah 1:16-17

Deuteronomy 10:18-19, 16:18-20

Leviticus 19:15-16

Zechariah 7:9-10

37 And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40 On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

– *Matthew 22:37-40*

Just [*Noah Webster 1828*]: In an evangelical sense, righteous; religious; influenced by a **regard to the laws of God**; or living in exact conformity to the divine will.

Receive
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Debate

- The term Social Justice is fraught with difficulties
- Social Issues are important.
- Social issues are not the gospel.
- We must not let social issue (___) distract us from the gospel.