

Midweek Study Lesson Questions 01/21/2026

Sunday January 18, 2026

THE MISUSE OF POWER, Isaiah 10:1-2

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I. Getting to Know “Yourself”

Have you ever had to deal with injustice? How did it make you feel?

Explain the following points from Sunday’s sermon.

Perverted Power –

Paralyzed Justice –

Powerless People -

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Observation Question

The sermon described "unrighteous decrees" as "weaponized legislation." What examples did the pastor give of how laws or policies can be twisted to justify greed or marginalize the meek?

Interpretation Question

The pastor asked us to consider: "Are we silent when decrees become weapons? Are we supporting those who already have comfort while neglecting those in need? How can the church act as a prophetic voice instead of simply serving existing power structures?"

Application Question

The pastor stated that "justice without tenderness turns into cruelty." What is one specific practice you could cultivate this week to "center the hurting" in your daily life, ensuring your actions are motivated by mercy?

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Isaiah 10:1(TLB) Woe to unjust judges and to those who issue unfair laws, says the Lord, :2 so that there is no justice for the poor, the widows, and orphans. Yes, it is true that they even rob the widows and fatherless children.

Proverbs 14:31(NIV) Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.

Proverbs 22:22 (KJV) Rob not the poor, because he *is* poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: **23** For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.

Psalms 37:16 (KJV) A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.

Luke 10:17(KJV) And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. **18** And he said unto them, **I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.** **19** Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. **20** Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.