



**HOLD FAST  
TO LOVE  
AND JUSTICE**

**HOSEA 12:6**



BATMAN v SUPERMAN

DAWN OF JUSTICE

Despite great efforts, will we ever achieve justice?  
**Why does man long for justice?**

Sadly, Christians also regularly fall short [**Rom 7:14-24**]

Yet, most men keep seeking their definition of justice.

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Jehovah from the start desires justice. **Gen 18:19**

The Law warns of perverting justice. Eg **Dt 16:19**

A key trait throughout key OT stories. [**1 Ki 3:28**]

Job cries out for it & Elihu responds [**Job 35:1-9**]

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But the prophets, especially **Isaiah**, say the most:

Jehovah loves justice! [61:8] Looks for it [5:7]

Knows it well [40:14] Promises a Just King [9:6-7]

Thankfully, the King *serves* w/ justice [41:25-42:4]

So, it's no surprise Jesus blesses peacemakers **Mt 5:9**

And we are to work for Peace/Reconciliation **2Cor5:20**

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**The prophets, Jesus, & Paul see justice & peace.**

**So, are we made *in the image* of a Just God?**

**Does He offer forgiveness b/c He is just?**

**Are we ready to face an impartial God?**

**Does He see a passion for justice in us?**