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## ***HE HAS SHOWN YOU***

***“He has told you, O man, what is good and what does the Lord require of you  
But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?”***

***Micah 6:8 (NKJV)***

**God never conceals His expectations from us. We never have to guess how we should live. In response to the misguided ways in which people sought to please God, the prophet Micah clearly explained what God does and does not expect.** The people asked: Should we come to God with many offerings? Should we bring a thousand rams and ten thousand rivers of oil? Would God be pleased if we gave our firstborn child to Him to express our devotion? (Mic. 6:6-7). Micah’s response was straightforward: “He has shown you, O man, what is good.”

**Micah listed three things God desires. First, He wants us to show justice.** The desire to receive justice is not enough. We must also be absolutely just in the way we treat others. If we have given our word, we should keep it with complete integrity. If we have people working for us, we should treat them as fairly as Jesus would. We should act justly in every relationship.

**Second, we are to love mercy.** The knowledge that we have received undeserved mercy from God should motivate us to show mercy to others. We must resist the temptation to retaliate against those who have wronged us, choosing to show them mercy instead.

**Finally, God requires us to talk humbly with Him.** God does not ask us for spectacular acts of service-He asks for humility. **At times we try to make the Christian life far more complicated than it is.** We avoid confronting what God has clearly told us to do today. **If we strive to be completely obedient in the basics, the more complex assignments will become clear. AMEN.**

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*“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 – 20*

