



SOCIAL JUSTICE THROUGH A BIBLICAL JUSTICE LENS

Week 1, Understanding Biblical Justice



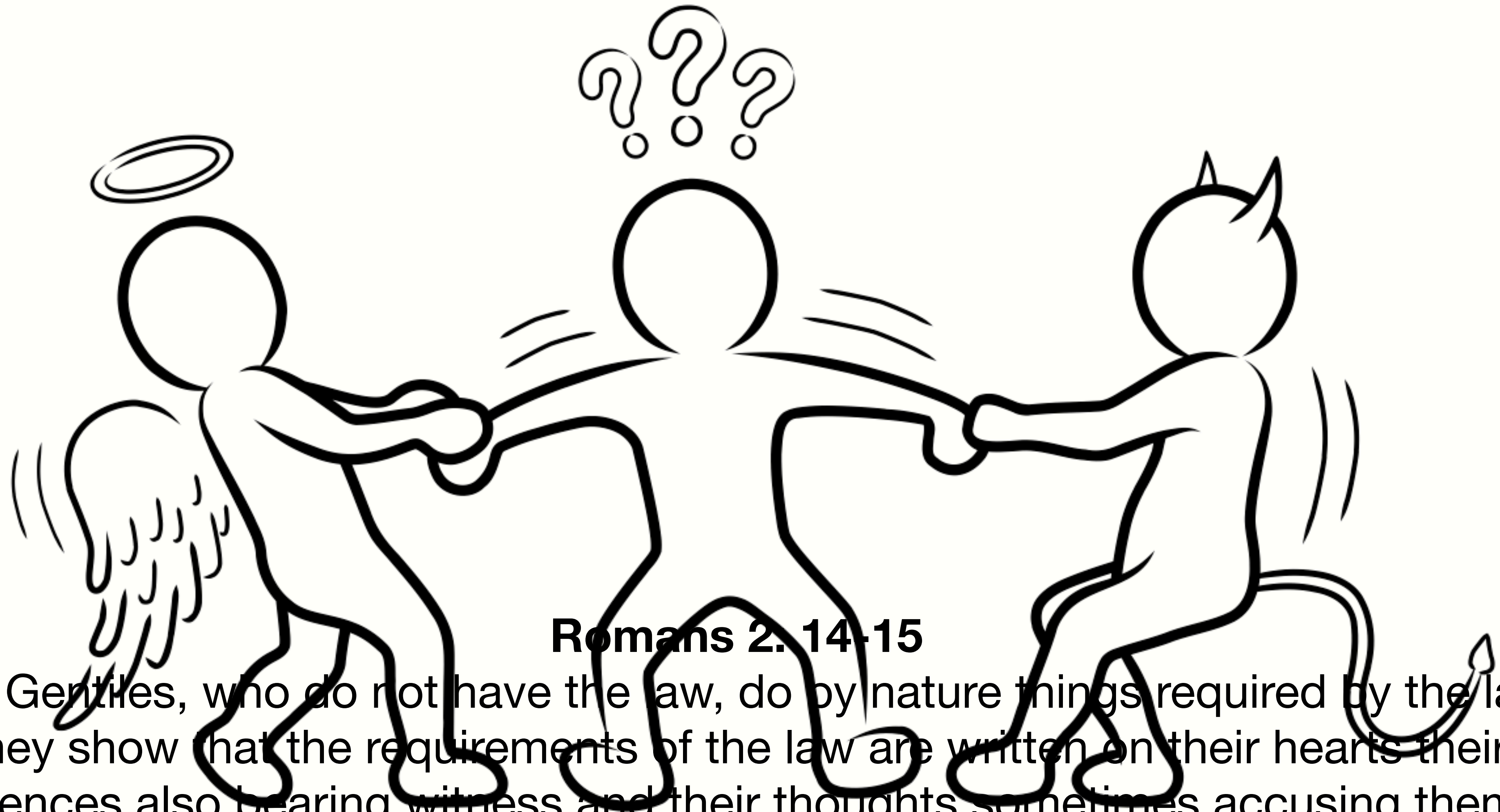
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WEEK 4: LIVING OUT BIBLICAL JUSTICE

MORAL CODE - NATURAL LAW



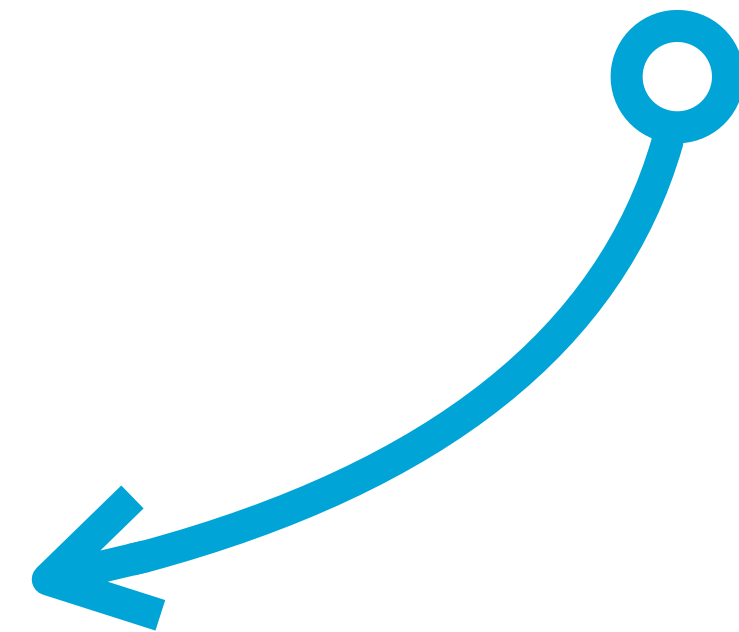
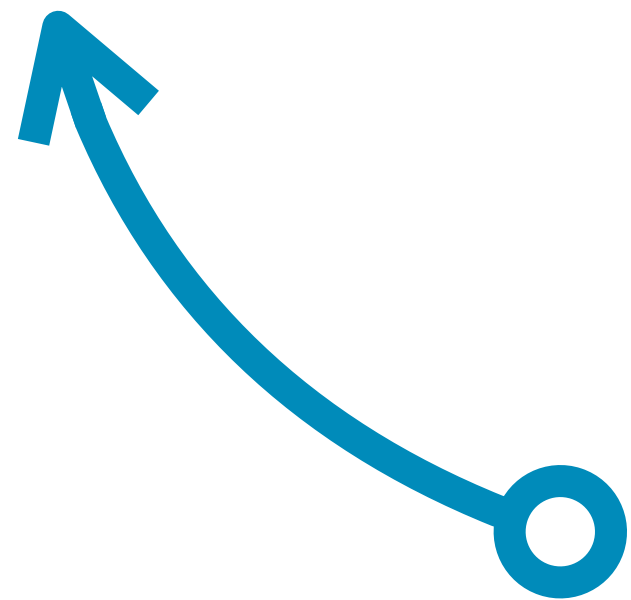
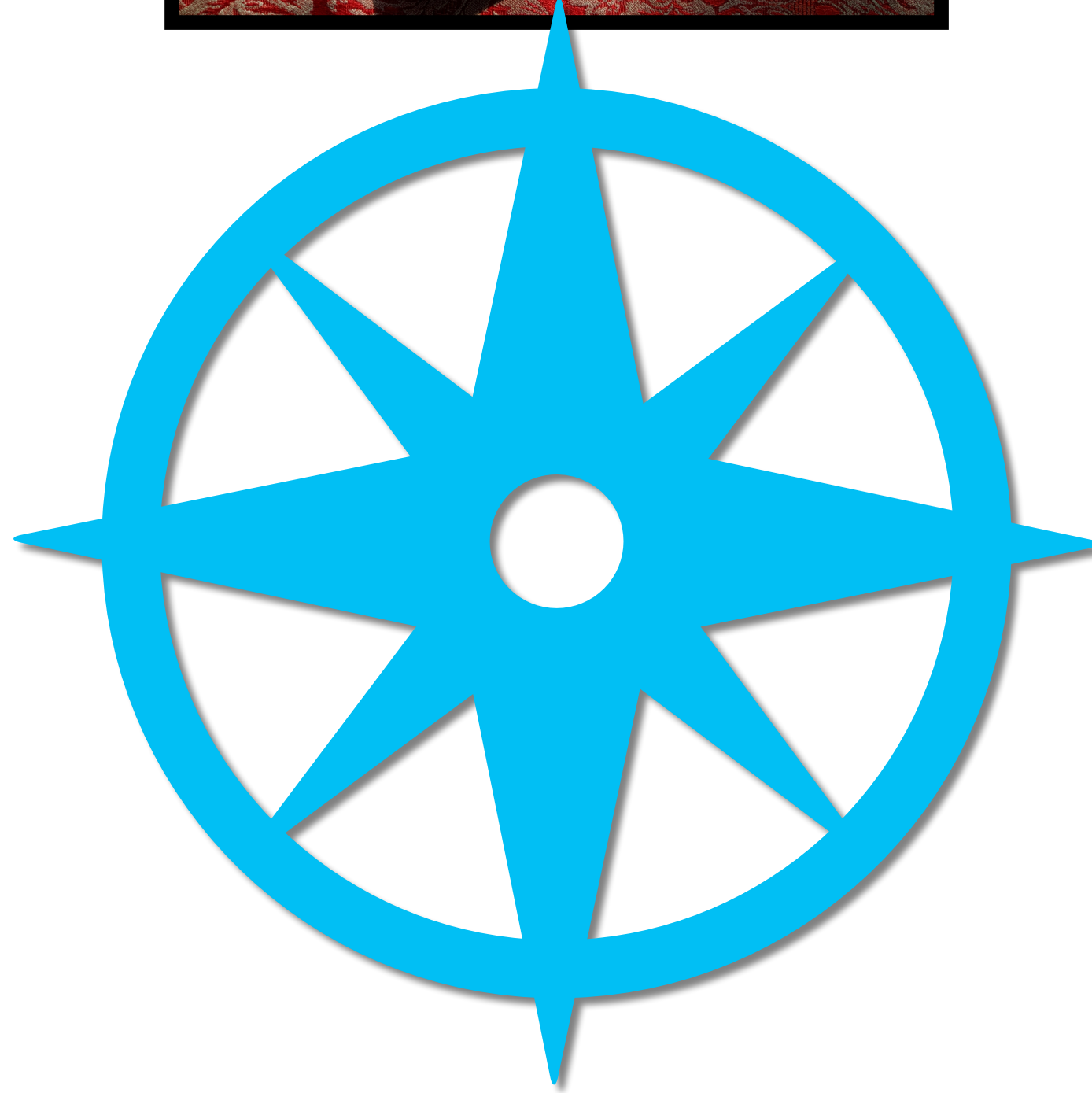
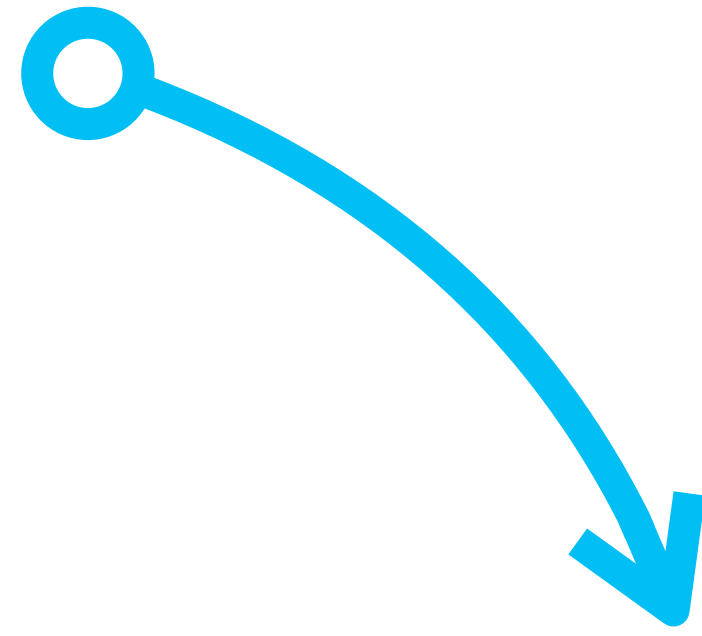
Romans 2: 14-15

When Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law... they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts their consciences also bearing witness and their thoughts sometimes accusing them and at other times even defending them.

“How can you advocate breaking some laws and obeying others?”

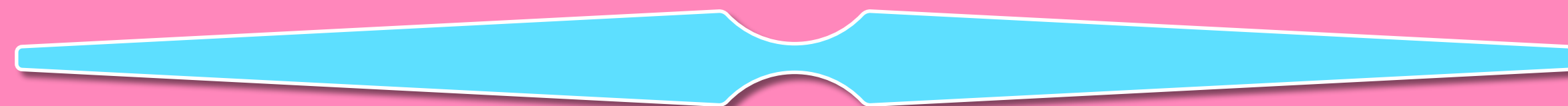
The answer is found in the fact that there are two types of laws: there are just laws and there are unjust laws. Now, what is the difference between the two? ...A just law is a man made code that squares with moral law, or the law of God. An unjust law is a code that is out of harmony with the moral law.”

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR



We must obey God rather than men.

Acts 5: 29



TWO ASPECTS OF BIBLICAL JUSTICE



MISHPAT:

Rules and laws which uphold Gods ethical and moral standards.

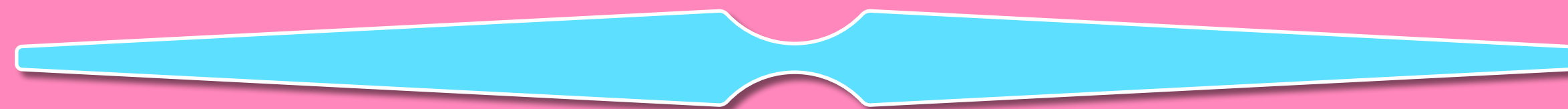


TSEDAQAH:

Living a moral and honorable life, includes loving your neighbor, mercy, forgiveness, and charity.

*Righteousness and justice
are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love
and faithfulness go before you.*

Psalm 89: 14



BIBLICAL JUSTICE :

Rendering impartially and proportionally every one his due in conforming to the righteous standard of God's moral law.



The US Constitution was a bridge for codifying natural law, establishing justice without requiring Christian faith.

BIBLICAL JUSTICE

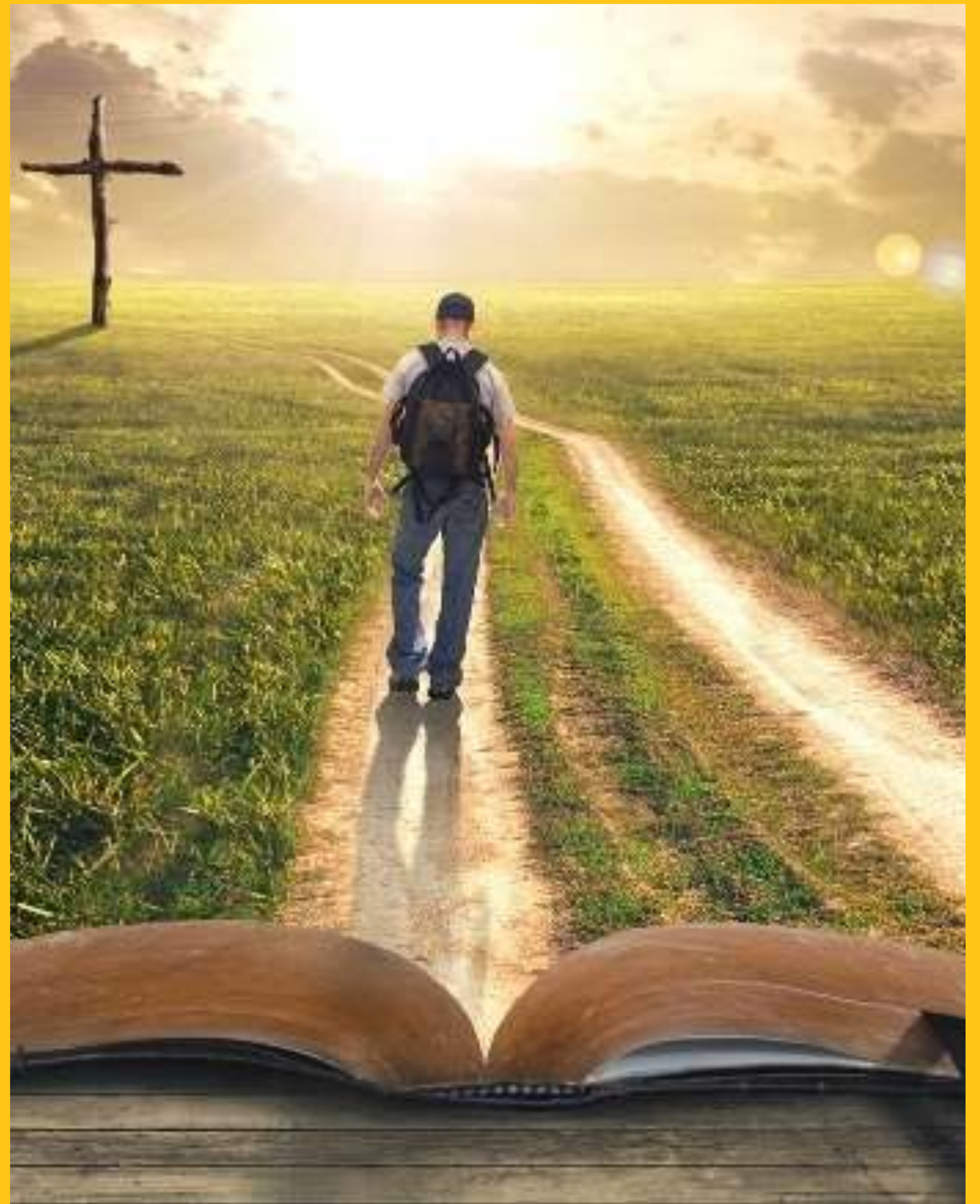
1. IMPARTIAL

2. PROPORTIONAL

3. EACH HIS DUE

4. AGREES WITH GOD'S

MORALS



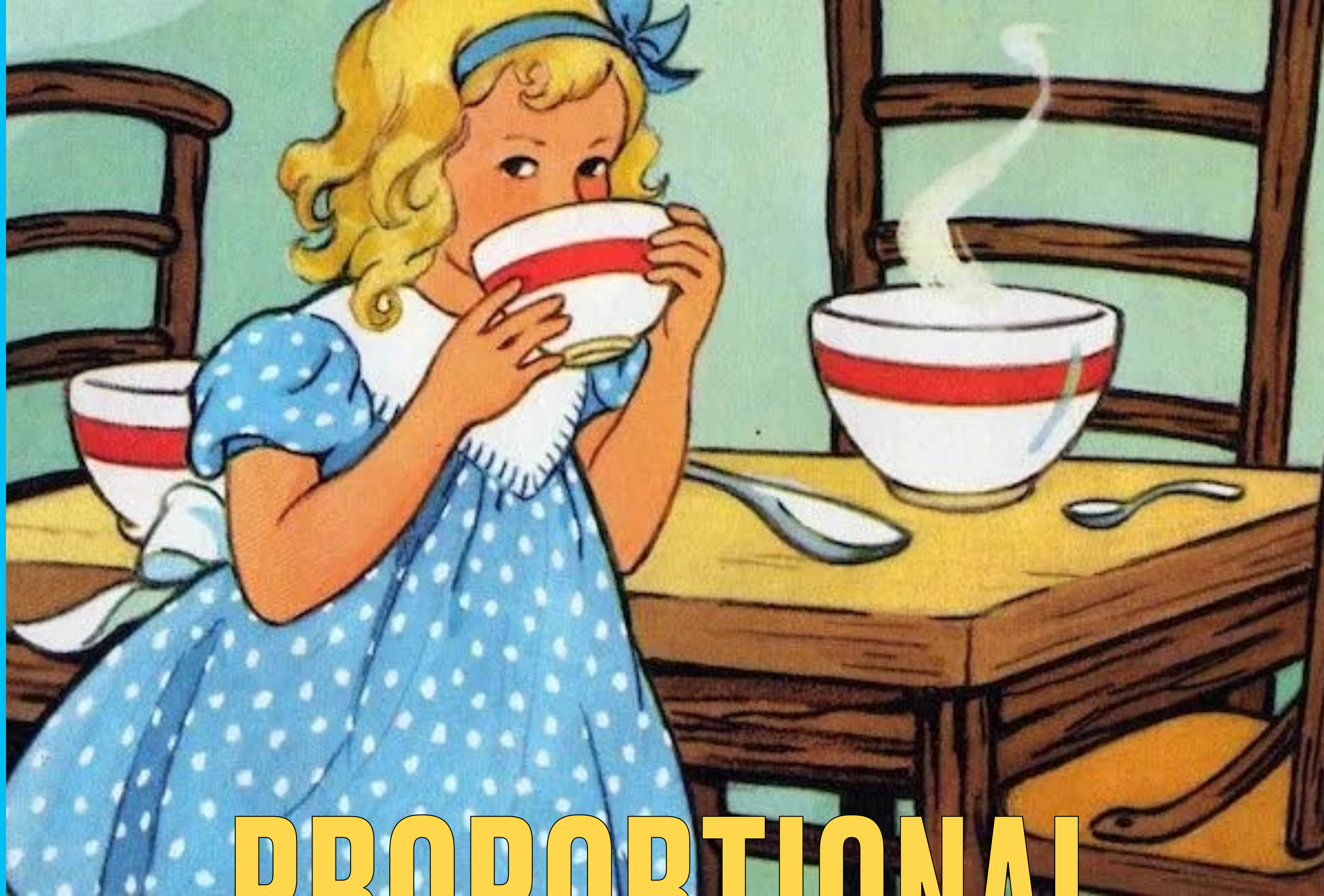


Rules,
punishments
handed out
equally to all
people.

No special
people or favors.

James 2: 1-4

IMPARTIAL



Goldilocks Principal

Not too hot, not too cold, but just right.

Punishment fits the crime.

Lev. 24:20 Eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth.

PROPORTIONAL



You reap what you sow.

Consequences to sin and immoral acts.

Fair Trial includes:

- 2 or more witnesses
- Timely

1 Cor 3:8

Exodus 21-22

EACH HIS DUE

We only have a few rules around here...

- Ten Commandments

- Exodus 23: 1-9

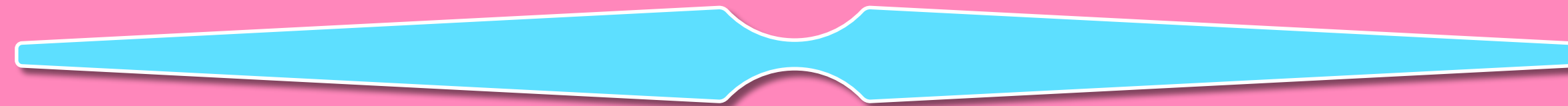
- Matthew 22:37-40



CONFORMS TO GOD'S MORALS

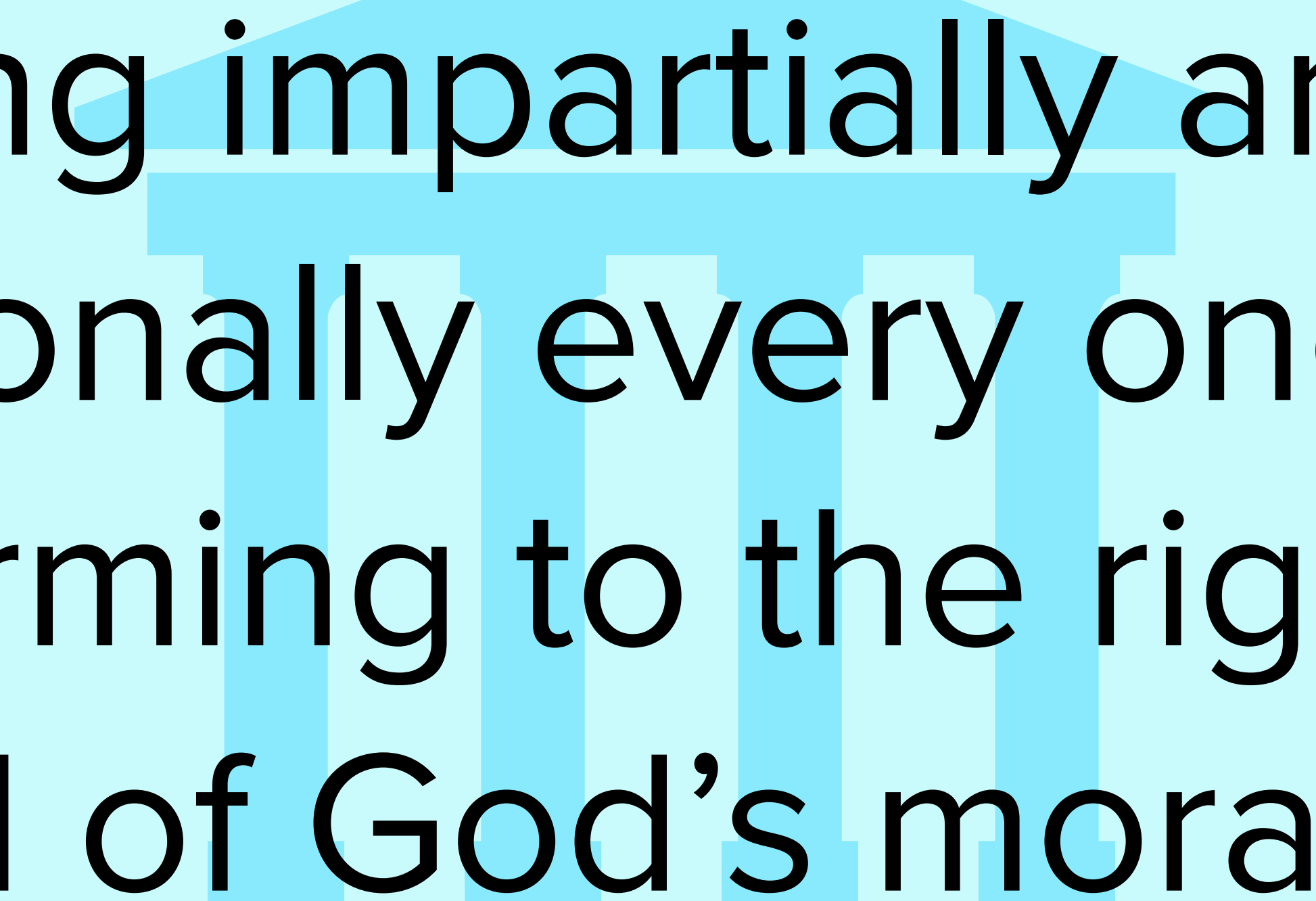
Don't be a false witness, don't help the guilty, don't follow a group that is sinning, help your enemies, help the poor get fair treatment, don't accept a bribe, don't twist peoples words, treat foreigners equally.

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