

CARE FOR THE POOR

WHY CARE ABOUT PEOPLE IN POVERTY?

BECAUSE GOD IS THEIR _____

“He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.” Proverbs 14:31

“He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done.” Proverbs 19:17

“A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.” Proverbs 22:9

“He who despises his neighbor sins, but blessed is he who is kind to the needy.” Proverbs 14:21

“If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered.” Proverbs 21:13

BECAUSE IT’S EASY TO TAKE _____ OF THE POOR

“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.” Proverbs 31:8–9

“A poor man’s field may produce abundant food, but injustice sweeps it away.” Proverbs 13:23

“Rich and poor have this in common: The Lord is the Maker of them all.” Proverbs 22:2

“Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the Lord will take up their case and will plunder those who plunder them.” Proverbs 22:22–23

“If a king judges the poor with fairness, his throne will always be secure.” Proverbs 29:14

“The righteous care about justice for the poor, but the wicked have no such concern.” Proverbs 29:7

HOW DO WE CULTIVATE HEARTS THAT CARE?

WE OPEN OUR _____

“He who gives to the poor will lack nothing, but he who closes his eyes to them receives many curses.” Proverbs 28:27

JESUS:

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Luke 4:18–19