

The English word “**Justice**” occurs 130 times in the RSV

Within these verses, justice is mentioned alongside:

The fatherless, the sojourner or immigrant, the widow: 18x

Righteousness & justice: 52x & Justice & equity 6x

And commands not to *pervert justice*: 12x

OLD TESTAMENT - RSV

[Genesis 18:19](#)

No, for I have chosen him, that he may charge his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing **righteousness and justice**; so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him."

[Exodus 23:2](#)

You shall not follow a multitude to do evil; nor shall you bear witness in a suit, turning aside after a multitude, so as to pervert **justice**;

[Exodus 23:6](#)

"You shall not pervert the **justice** due to your poor in his suit.

[Deuteronomy 10:18](#)

He executes **justice** for the fatherless and the widow, and **loves** the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.

[Deuteronomy 16:19](#)

You shall not pervert **justice**; you shall not show partiality; and you shall not take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and subverts the cause of the **righteous**.

[Deuteronomy 16:20](#)

Justice, and only justice, you shall follow, that you may live and inherit the land which the LORD your God gives you.

[Deuteronomy 24:17](#)

"You shall not pervert the **justice** due to the sojourner or to the fatherless, or take a widow's garment in pledge;

[Deuteronomy 27:19](#)

"Cursed be he who perverts the **justice** due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

[Deuteronomy 32:4](#)

"The Rock, his work is perfect; for all his ways are **justice**. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and right is he.

[1 Samuel 7:17](#)

Then he would come back to Ramah, for his home was there, and there also he administered **justice** to Israel. And he built there an altar to the LORD.

[1 Samuel 8:3](#)

Yet his sons did not walk in his ways but turned aside after gain; they took bribes and perverted **justice**.

[2 Samuel 8:15](#)

So David reigned over all Israel; and David administered **justice and equity** to all his people.

[2 Samuel 15:4](#)

Ab'salom said moreover, "Oh that I were judge in the land! Then every man with a suit or cause might come to me, and I would give him **justice**."

[1 Kings 3:28](#)

And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had rendered; and they stood in awe of the king, because they perceived that the wisdom of God was in him, to render **justice**.

[1 Kings 10:9](#)

Blessed be the LORD your God, who has delighted in you and set you on the throne of Israel! Because the LORD loved Israel for ever, he has made you king, that you may execute **justice and righteousness**."

[1 Chronicles 18:14](#)

So David reigned over all Israel; and he administered **justice and equity** to all his people.

[2 Chronicles 9:8](#)

Blessed be the LORD your God, who has delighted in you and set you on his throne as king for the LORD your God! Because your God loved Israel and would establish them for ever, he has made you king over them, that you may execute **justice and righteousness**."

[2 Chronicles 19:7](#)

Now then, let the fear of the LORD be upon you; take heed what you do, for there is no perversion of **justice** with the LORD our God, or partiality, or taking bribes."

[Job 8:3](#)

Does God pervert **justice**? Or does the Almighty pervert the right?

[Job 9:19](#)

If it is a contest of strength, behold him! If it is a Matthewter of **justice**, who can summon him?

[Job 19:7](#)

Behold, I cry out, 'Violence!' but I am not answered; I call aloud, but there is no **justice**.

[Job 29:14](#)

I put on **righteousness**, and it clothed me; my **justice** was like a robe and a turban.

[Job 34:12](#)

Of a truth, God will not do wickedly, and the Almighty will not pervert **justice**.

[Job 34:17](#)

Shall one who hates **justice** govern? Will you condemn him who is righteous and mighty,

[Job 36:17](#)

"But you are full of the judgment on the wicked; judgment and **justice** seize you.

[Job 37:23](#)

The Almighty--we cannot find him; he is great in power and **justice**, and abundant **righteousness** he will not violate.

[Psalms 10:18](#)

to do **justice** to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

[Psalms 33:5](#)

He **loves righteousness and justice**; the earth is full of the steadfast **love** of the LORD.

[Psalms 37:28](#)

For the LORD **loves justice**; he will not forsake his saints. The **righteous** shall be preserved for ever, but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.

[Psalms 37:30](#)

The mouth of the **righteous** utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks **justice**.

[Psalms 72:1](#)

Give the king thy **justice**, O God, and thy **righteousness** to the royal son!

[Psalms 72:2](#)

May he judge thy people with **righteousness**, and thy poor with **justice**!

[Psalms 82:3](#)

Give **justice** to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.

[Psalms 89:14](#)

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of thy throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before thee.

[Psalms 94:15](#)

for **justice** will return to the **righteous**, and all the **upright** in heart will follow it.

[Psalms 97:2](#)

Clouds and thick darkness are round about him; **righteousness and justice** are the foundation of his throne.

[Psalms 99:4](#)

Mighty King, **lover of justice**, thou hast established **equity**; thou hast **executed justice and righteousness** in Jacob.

[Psalms 101:1](#)

I will sing of loyalty and of **justice**; to thee, O LORD, I will sing.

[Psalms 103:6](#)

The LORD works vindication and **justice** for all who are oppressed.

[Psalms 106:3](#)

Blessed are they who observe **justice**, who do **righteousness** at all times!

[Psalms 112:5](#)

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with **justice**.

[Psalms 119:149](#)

Hear my voice in thy steadfast love; O LORD, in thy **justice** preserve my life.

[Psalms 119:156](#)

Great is thy mercy, O LORD; give me life according to thy **justice**.

[Psalms 140:12](#)

I know that the LORD maintains the cause of the afflicted, and executes **justice** for the needy.

[Psalms 146:7](#)

who executes **justice** for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

[Proverbs 1:3](#)

receive instruction in wise dealing, **righteousness, justice, and equity**;

[Proverbs 2:8](#)

guarding the paths of **justice** and preserving the way of his saints.

[Proverbs 2:9](#)

Then you will understand **righteousness and justice and equity**, every good path;

[Proverbs 8:20](#)

I walk in the way of **righteousness**, in the paths of **justice**,

[Proverbs 17:23](#)

A wicked man accepts a bribe from the bosom to pervert the ways of **justice**.

[Proverbs 18:5](#)

It is not good to be partial to a wicked man, or to deprive a **righteous** man of **justice**.

[Proverbs 19:28](#)

A worthless witness mocks at **justice**, and the mouth of the wicked devours iniquity.

[Proverbs 21:3](#)

To do **righteousness and justice** is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

[Proverbs 21:15](#)

When **justice** is done, it is a joy to the **righteous**, but dismay to evildoers.

[Proverbs 28:5](#)

Evil men do not understand **justice**, but those who seek the LORD understand it completely.

[Proverbs 29:4](#)

By **justice** a king gives stability to the land, but one who exacts gifts ruins it.

[Proverbs 29:26](#)

Many seek the favor of a ruler, but from the LORD a man gets **justice**.

[Ecclesiastes 3:16](#)

Moreover I saw under the sun that in the place of **justice**, even there was wickedness, and in the place of **righteousness**, even there was wickedness.

[Ecclesiastes 5:8](#)

If you see in a province the poor oppressed and **justice** and right violently taken away, do not be amazed at the matter; for the high official is watched by a higher, and there are yet higher ones over them.

[Isaiah 1:17](#)

learn to do good; seek **justice**, correct oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow.

[Isaiah 1:21](#)

How the faithful city has become a harlot, she that was full of **justice! Righteousness** lodged in her, but now murderers.

[Isaiah 1:27](#)

Zion shall be redeemed by **justice**, and those in her who repent, by **righteousness**.

[Isaiah 5:7](#)

For the vineyard of the LORD of Hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for **justice**, but behold, bloodshed; for **righteousness**, but behold, a cry!

[Isaiah 5:16](#)

But the LORD of Hosts is exalted in **justice**, and the Holy God shows himself holy in **righteousness**.

[Isaiah 9:7](#)

Of the increase of his government and of **peace** there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with **justice and with righteousness** from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of Hosts will do this.

[Isaiah 10:2](#)

to turn aside the needy from **justice** and to rob the poor of my people of their right, that widows may be their spoil, and that they may make the fatherless their prey!

[Isaiah 16:3](#)

"Give counsel, grant **justice**; make your shade like night at the height of noon; hide the outcasts, betray not the fugitive;

[Isaiah 16:5](#)

then a throne will be established in steadfast **love** and on it will sit in faithfulness in the tent of David one who judges and seeks **justice** and is swift to do **righteousness**."

[Isaiah 28:6](#)

and a spirit of **justice** to him who sits in judgment, and strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

[Isaiah 28:17](#)

And I will make **justice** the line, and **righteousness** the plummet; and hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, and waters will overwhelm the shelter."

[Isaiah 30:18](#)

Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you; therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of **justice**; blessed are all those who wait for him.

[Isaiah 32:1](#)

Behold, a king will reign in **righteousness**, and princes will rule in **justice**.

[Isaiah 32:16](#)

Then **justice** will dwell in the wilderness, and **righteousness** abide in the fruitful field.

[Isaiah 33:5](#)

The LORD is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with **justice and righteousness**;

[Isaiah 40:14](#)

Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of **justice**, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

[Isaiah 42:1](#)

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him, he will bring forth **justice** to the nations.

[Isaiah 42:3](#)

a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth **justice**.

[Isaiah 42:4](#)

He will not fail or be discouraged till he has established **justice** in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

[Isaiah 51:4](#)

"Listen to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go forth from me, and my **justice** for a light to the peoples.

[Isaiah 56:1](#)

Thus says the LORD: "**Keep justice, and do righteousness**, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

[Isaiah 59:8](#)

The way of **peace** they know not, and there is no **justice** in their paths; they have made their roads crooked, no one who goes in them knows **peace**.

[Isaiah 59:9](#)

Therefore **justice** is far from us, and **righteousness** does not overtake us; we look for light, and behold, darkness, and for brightness, but we walk in gloom.

[Isaiah 59:11](#)

We all growl like bears, we moan and moan like doves; we look for **justice**, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us.

[Isaiah 59:14](#)

Justice is turned back, and **righteousness** stands afar off; for truth has fallen in the public squares, and **uprightness** cannot enter.

[Isaiah 59:15](#)

Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. The LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there was no **justice**.

[Isaiah 61:8](#)

For I the LORD **love justice**, I hate robbery and wrong; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

[Jeremiah 4:2](#)

and if you swear, 'As the LORD lives,' in truth, in **justice**, and in **uprightness**, then nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory."

[Jeremiah 5:1](#)

Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, look and take note! Search her squares to see if you can find a man, one who does **justice** and seeks truth; that I may pardon her.

[Jeremiah 5:28](#)

they have grown fat and sleek. They know no bounds in deeds of wickedness; they judge not with **justice** the cause of the fatherless, to make it prosper, and they do not defend the rights of the needy.

[Jeremiah 7:5](#)

"For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly execute **justice** one with another,

[Jeremiah 9:24](#)

but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practice steadfast **love, justice, and righteousness** in the earth; for in these things I delight, says the LORD."

[Jeremiah 21:12](#)

O house of David! Thus says the LORD: "'Execute **justice** in the morning, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor him who has been robbed, lest my wrath go forth like fire, and burn with none to quench it, because of your evil doings.'"

[Jeremiah 22:3](#)

Thus says the LORD: Do **justice and righteousness**, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor him who has been robbed. And do no wrong or violence to the alien, the fatherless, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place.

[Jeremiah 22:15](#)

Do you think you are a king because you compete in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do **justice and righteousness**? Then it was well with him.

[Jeremiah 23:5](#)

"Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute **justice and righteousness** in the land.

[Jeremiah 33:15](#)

In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring forth for David; and he shall execute **justice and righteousness** in the land.

[Ezekiel 18:8](#)

does not lend at interest or take any increase, withholds his hand from iniquity, executes true **justice** between man and man,

[Ezekiel 34:16](#)

I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the crippled, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over; I will feed them in **justice**.

[Ezekiel 45:9](#)

"Thus says the Lord GOD: Enough, O princes of Israel! Put away violence and oppression, and execute **justice and righteousness**; cease your evictions of my people, says the Lord GOD.

[Hosea 2:19](#)

And I will betroth you to me for ever; I will betroth you to me in **righteousness and in justice**, in steadfast **love, and in mercy**.

[Hosea 12:6](#)

"So you, by the help of your God, return, hold fast to **love and justice**, and wait continually for your God."

[Amos 5:7](#)

O you who turn **justice** to wormwood, and cast down **righteousness** to the earth!

[Amos 5:15](#)

Hate evil, and love good, and establish **justice** in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of Hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

[Amos 5:24](#)

But let **justice** roll down like waters, and **righteousness** like an ever-flowing stream.

[Amos 6:12](#)

Do horses run upon rocks? Does one plow the sea with oxen? But you have turned **justice** into poison and the fruit of **righteousness** into wormwood--

[Micah 3:1](#)

And I said: Hear, you heads of Jacob and rulers of the house of Israel! Is it not for you to know **justice**?--

[Micah 3:8](#)

But as for me, I am filled with power, with the Spirit of the LORD, and with **justice** and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin.

[Micah 3:9](#)

Hear this, you heads of the house of Jacob and rulers of the house of Israel, who abhor **justice** and pervert all **equity**,

[Micah 6:8](#)

He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do **justice**, and to **love kindness**, and to walk humbly with your God?

[Habakkuk 1:4](#)

So the law is slacked and **justice** never goes forth. For the wicked surround the **righteous**, so **justice** goes forth perverted.

[Habakkuk 1:7](#)

Dread and terrible are they; their **justice** and dignity proceed from themselves.

[Zephaniah 3:5](#)

The LORD within her is **righteous**, he does no wrong; every morning he shows forth his **justice**, each dawn he does not fail; but the unjust knows no shame.

[Malachi 2:17](#)

You have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet you say, "How have we wearied him?" By saying, "Every one who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delights in them." Or by asking, "Where is the God of **justice**?"

New Testament (RSV)

[Matthew 12:18](#)

"Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he shall proclaim **justice** to the Gentiles.

[Matthew 12:20](#)

he will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick, till he brings **justice** to victory;

[Matthew 23:23](#)

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law, **justice and mercy and faith**; these you ought to have done, without neglecting the others.

[Luke 11:42](#)

"But woe to you Pharisees! for you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and neglect **justice** and the **love of God**; these you ought to have done, without neglecting the others.

[Acts 8:33](#)

In his humiliation **justice** was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken up from the earth."

[Acts 24:25](#)

And as he argued about **justice** and self-control and future judgment, Felix was alarmed and said, "Go away for the present; when I have an opportunity, I will summon you."

[Acts 28:4](#)

When the natives saw the creature hanging from his hand, they said to one another, "No doubt this man is a murderer. Though he has escaped from the sea, **justice** has not allowed him to live."

[Romans 3:5](#)

But if our wickedness serves to show the **justice** of God, what shall we say? That God is unjust to inflict wrath on us? (I speak in a human way.)

[Hebrews 11:33](#)

who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced **justice**, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions,