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# ISAIAH 58



## INJUSTICE

Globally, **4 billion** people live outside the protection of the law.



## SLAVERY

More than **45 million** people  
are held in slavery today.

**1** in **4** slaves is a child.





## HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Human trafficking generates about **\$150** billion a year—two-thirds from commercial sexual exploitation.

A child goes missing in India every **8** minutes. And nearly half are never found.



## SEX TRAFFICKING

Credible and conservative estimates of global sex trafficking indicate that there are between **4.2** million and **11.6** million people held in forced commercial sexual exploitation.





## MATTHEW 22:37–40

“And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.””



# Righteousness (tzedkah) - Right Relationship

## Justice (mishpat) - Action That Brings Righteousness About





## ISAIAH 1:16-17

“Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow’s cause.”



## ISAIAH 59:14-15

“Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands far away; for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. 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.”





# True Religion Includes The Work Of Bringing About Shalom Through Justice

(Isaiah 58:1-5)



## James 1:27

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“Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.”





A Just And Impartial Judge  
+  
My Activity Of Sin And Injustice

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= The Consequence Of Death



## Isaiah 11:3-5

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“And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.”





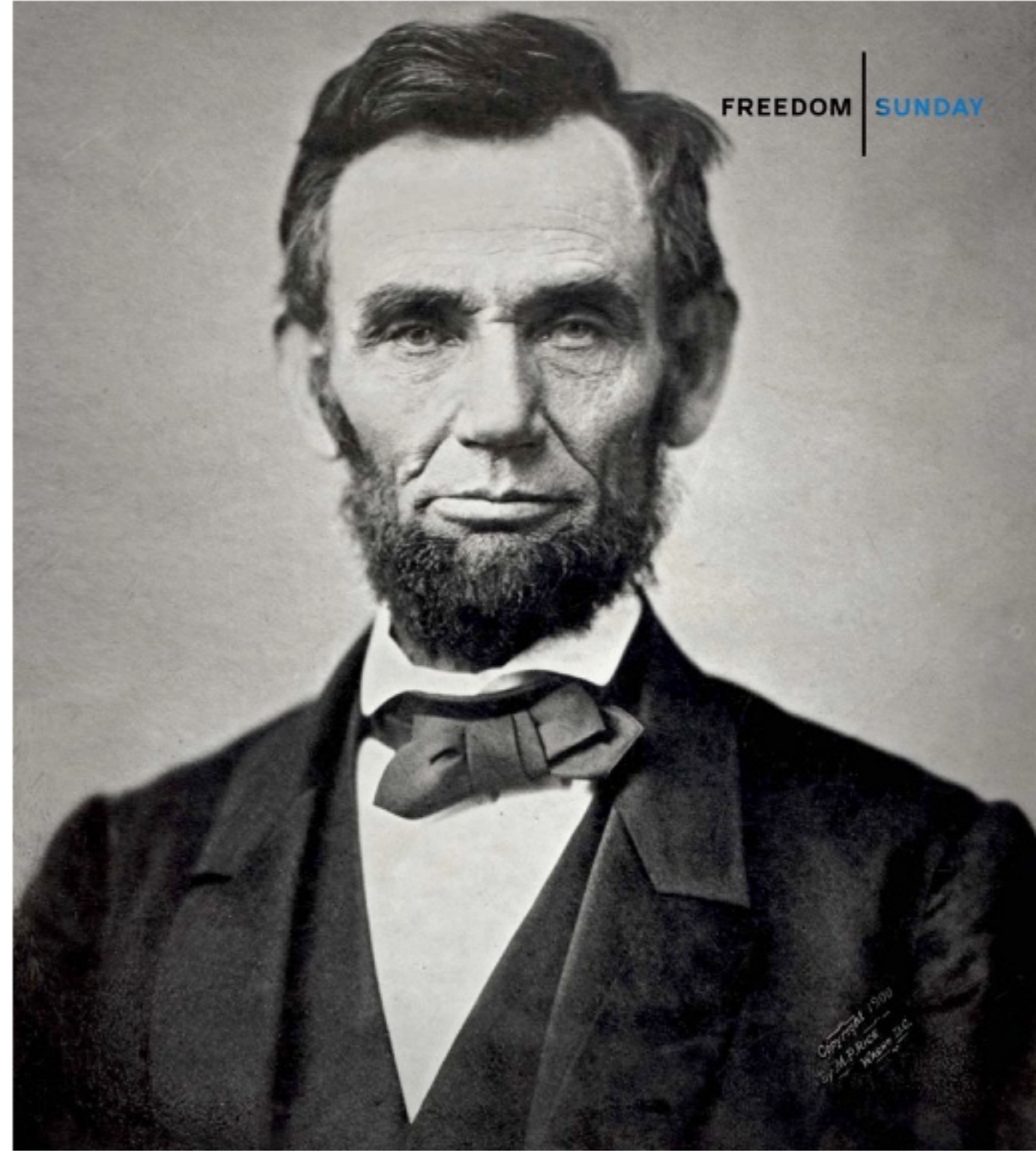
# Obedience Comes Out Of A Grateful Heart For God's Act Of Justice On Our Behalf

(Isaiah 58:6-14)



## ABRAHAM LINCOLN

“Those who deny freedom to others, deserve it not for themselves; and, under a just God, cannot long retain it.”





# Practicing True Religion





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# ANTI-SLAVERY

IJM is the largest international anti-slavery organization in the world.



## CONVICTIONS

Over **1,200** convictions against slave owners, rapists and other criminals.





## TRAINING

Over **46,000** officers and officials trained over the last five years.



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