

## **Possible Bible passages addressing Income inequality**

### **Deuteronomy 15: 7-8**

If anyone is poor among your fellow Israelites in any of the towns of the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward them. Rather, be openhanded and freely lend them whatever they need.

### **Jeremiah 22:3**

This is what the LORD says: Do what is just and right. Rescue from the hand of the oppressor the one who has been robbed. Do no wrong or violence to the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place.

### **Jeremiah 22:16**

He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the Lord.

### **Micah 6:8**

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

### **James 2: 15,16**

Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?

### **Isaiah 1:17**

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.

### **Luke 4: 18-19**

The Spirit of the LORD is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor."

### **I Corinthians 10:24**

No one should seek their own good, but the good of others.

### **Romans 12:13**

Share with the LORD's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

### **Proverbs 22:22-23**

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 exact life for life.

**James 5:4**

Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the LORD Almighty.

**Ephesians 2:14**

We the blood-bought people of God know that Jesus alone tears down the Great Wall of hostility.

**Isaiah 58: 10, 11**

If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted.... The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs.

**Romans 12:10 – 14**

Let love be genuine;.... Love one another with mutual affection: outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.”

**I John 3:17**

If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

**Matthew 6: 28-29, 31-33**

And why do you worry about your clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you-you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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