Righteous

Then the <u>righteous</u> will <u>shine</u> forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear! Matthew 13:43

One definition of righteous is one who is right with God, right with others and right with themselves. Jesus is the only One I know Who lives in that reality. While we have been granted His righteousness as a matter of law, my desire is to experience practical righteousness in all my relationships. Immanuel leads and guides in this regard. He is able to maintain right relationships in every situation. I have been privileged to have Jesus be with me and showing me how to navigate impossible interpersonal quagmires by simply being with Him.

Studies included in this article are: Righteous God; Righteous Judgment; Righteous Heroes; Righteous; False Righteous; Righteous Acts; Righteous (with Lord in Psalms and Proverbs); Wicked One (Entire Bible); Wicked Spirits; Wicked; Wicked Acts; Wicked (with Lord in Psalms)

For more information on this topic, please see: "Righteousness"; "Upright"

Righteous God

- Luke 23:47 So when the centurion saw what had happened, he glorified God, saying, "Certainly this was a righteous Man!"
- John 17:25 O <u>righteous</u> Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me.
- Romans 5:18 Therefore, as through one man's offense *judgment came* to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's <u>righteous</u> act *the free gift came* to all men, resulting in justification of life.
- Romans 5:19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made <u>righteous</u>.
- 2 Timothy 4:8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the <u>righteous</u> Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.
- 1 John 2:1 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the <u>righteous</u>.
- 1 John 2:29 If you know that He is <u>righteous</u>, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him.
- 1 John 3:7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is <u>righteous</u>, just as He is <u>righteous</u>.
- Revelation 16:5 And I heard the angel of the waters saying: "You are <u>righteous</u>, O Lord, The One who is and who was and who is to be, Because You have judged these things.
- Revelation 16:7 And I heard another from the altar saying, "Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and <u>righteous</u> *are* Your judgments."

Revelation 19:2 For true and <u>righteous</u> *are* His judgments, because He has judged the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication; and He has avenged on her the blood of His servants *shed* by her.

Righteous Judgment

- John 5:30 I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is <u>righteous</u>, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me.
- John 7:24 Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment.
- Romans 1:32 Who, knowing the <u>righteous</u> judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.
- Romans 2:5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the <u>righteous</u> judgment of God.
- Romans 2:26 Therefore, if an uncircumcised man keeps the <u>righteous</u> requirements of the law, will not his uncircumcision be counted as circumcision?
- 2 Thessalonians 1:5 Which is manifest evidence of the <u>righteous</u> judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer.
- 2 Thessalonians 1:6 Since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you.

Righteous Heroes

- Matthew 23:35 That on you may come all the <u>righteous</u> blood shed on the earth, from the blood of <u>righteous</u> Abel to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar.
- Hebrews 11:4 By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was <u>righteous</u>, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.
- 2 Peter 2:7-8 And delivered <u>righteous</u> Lot, *who was* oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that <u>righteous</u> man, dwelling among them, tormented *his* <u>righteous</u> soul from day to day by seeing and hearing *their* lawless deeds) —
- 1 John 3:12 Not as Cain *who* was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's [Abel's] <u>righteous</u>.

Righteous

- Matthew 10:41 He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward. And he who receives a <u>righteous</u> man in the name of a <u>righteous</u> man shall receive a <u>righteous</u> man's reward.
- Matthew 13:17 For assuredly, I say to you that many prophets and <u>righteous</u> men desired to see what you see, and did not see *it*, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear *it*.

- Matthew 13:43 Then the <u>righteous</u> will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!
- Matthew 23:29 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you build the tombs of the prophets and adorn the monuments of the <u>righteous</u>.
- Matthew 25:37 Then the <u>righteous</u> will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed *You*, or thirsty and give *You* drink?
- Matthew 25:46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.
- Mark 2:17 When Jesus heard *it*, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call *the* righteous, but sinners, to repentance."
- Luke 1:6 And they were both <u>righteous</u> before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.
- Luke 5:32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.
- Romans 3:10 As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one."
- Romans 5:7 For scarcely for a <u>righteous</u> man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die.
- Romans 8:4 That the <u>righteous</u> requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
- 1 Timothy 1:9-10 Knowing this: that the law is not made for a <u>righteous</u> person, but for *the* lawless and insubordinate, for *the* ungodly and for sinners, for *the* unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine.
- James 5:16 Confess *your* trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a <u>righteous</u> man avails much.
- 1 Peter 3:12 For the eyes of the LORD *are* on the <u>righteous</u>, And His ears *are open* to their prayers; But the face of the LORD *is* against those who do evil."
- 1 Peter 4:18 Now If the righteous one is scarcely saved, Where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?
- Revelation 22:11 He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is <u>righteous</u>, let him be <u>righteous</u> still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.

False Righteous

Matthew 9:13 But go and learn what *this* means: 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice.' For I did not come to call the <u>righteous</u>, but sinners, to repentance.

- Matthew 23:28 Even so you also outwardly appear <u>righteous</u> to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.
- Luke 18:9 Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were <u>righteous</u>, and despised others.
- Luke 20:20 So they watched *Him*, and sent spies who pretended to be <u>righteous</u>, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and the authority of the governor.

Righteous Acts

- Judges 5:11 Far from the noise of the archers, among the watering places, There they shall recount the <u>righteous acts</u> of the LORD, The <u>righteous acts</u> for His villagers in Israel; Then the people of the LORD shall go down to the gates.
- 1 Samuel 12:7 Now therefore, stand still, that I may reason with you before the LORD concerning all the righteous acts of the LORD which He did to you and your fathers:
- Romans 5:18 Therefore, as through one man's offense *judgment came* to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's <u>righteous</u> act *the free gift came* to all men, resulting in justification of life.
- Revelation 19:8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the <u>righteous</u> acts of the saints.

Righteous (with Lord in Psalms and Proverbs)

Psalms 1:6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the ungodly shall perish.

- Psalms 5:12 For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as with a shield.
- Psalms 11:5 The LORD tests the righteous, But the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.
- Psalms 11:7 For the LORD is righteous, He loves righteousness; His countenance beholds the upright.
- Psalms 19:9 The fear of the <u>LORD</u> is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the <u>LORD</u> are true and <u>righteous</u> altogether.
- Psalms 32:11 Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you righteous; And shout for joy, all you upright in heart!
- Psalms 33:1 Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful.
- Psalms 34:15 The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their cry.
- Psalms 34:17 The <u>righteous</u> cry out, and the LORD hears, And delivers them out of all their troubles.
- Psalms 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all.

- Psalms 35:27 Let them shout for joy and be glad, Who favor my <u>righteous</u> cause; And let them say continually, "Let the <u>LORD</u> be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant."
- Psalms 37:17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, But the LORD upholds the righteous.
- Psalms 37:39 But the salvation of the righteous is from the LORD; He is their strength in the time of trouble.
- Psalms 55:22 Cast your burden on the <u>LORD</u>, And He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the <u>righteous</u> to be moved.
- Psalms 64:10 The <u>righteous</u> shall be glad in the <u>LORD</u>, and trust in Him. And all the upright in heart shall glory.
- Psalms 97:12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.
- Psalms 116:5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God is merciful.
- Psalms 118:15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation *Is* in the tents of the <u>righteous</u>; The right hand of the <u>LORD</u> does valiantly.
- Psalms 118:20 This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter.
- Psalms 119:137 TSADDE. Righteous are You, O LORD, And upright are Your judgments.
- Psalms 129:4 The LORD is righteous; He has cut in pieces the cords of the wicked.
- Psalms 145:17 The LORD is righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works.
- Psalms 146:8 The <u>LORD</u> opens *the eyes of* the blind; The <u>LORD</u> raises those who are bowed down; The <u>LORD</u> loves the <u>righteous</u>.
- Proverbs 10:3 The <u>LORD</u> will not allow the <u>righteous</u> soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked.
- Proverbs 15:29 The LORD is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous.
- Proverbs 18:10 The name of the LORD is a strong tower; The righteous run to it and are safe.

Wicked One (Entire Bible)

- Nahum 1:15 Behold, on the mountains The feet of him who brings good tidings, Who proclaims peace! O Judah, keep your appointed feasts, Perform your vows. For the <u>wicked one</u> shall no more pass through you; He is utterly cut off.
- Matthew 13:19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand *it*, then the <u>wicked</u> <u>one</u> comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside.
- Matthew 13:38 The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the <u>wicked one</u>.

- Ephesians 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the <u>wicked one</u>.
- 1 John 2:13 I write to you, fathers, Because you have known Him *who is* from the beginning. I write to you, young men, Because you have overcome the <u>wicked one</u>. I write to you, little children, Because you have known the Father.
- 1 John 2:14 I have written to you, fathers, Because you have known Him *who is* from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, Because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, And you have overcome the <u>wicked one</u>.
- 1 John 3:12 Not as Cain *who* was of the <u>wicked one</u> and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.
- 1 John 5:18 We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the <u>wicked one</u> does not touch him.
- 1 John 5:19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

Wicked Spirits

- Matthew 12:45 Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more <u>wicked</u> than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this <u>wicked</u> generation.
- Luke 11:26 Then he goes and takes with *him* seven other spirits more <u>wicked</u> than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.

Wicked

- Matthew 13:49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the <u>wicked</u> from among the just.
- Matthew 16:4 "A <u>wicked</u> and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah." And He left them and departed.
- Matthew 18:32 Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me.
- Matthew 21:41 They said to Him, "He will destroy those <u>wicked</u> men miserably, and lease *his* vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons."
- Matthew 25:26 But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.
- Luke 19:22 And he said to him, 'Out of your own mouth I will judge you, *you* wicked servant. You knew that I was an austere man, collecting what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow.
- 2 Thessalonians 3:2 And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith.

Wicked Acts

- Acts 18:14 And when Paul was about to open *his* mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, "If it were a matter of wrongdoing or <u>wicked</u> crimes, O Jews, there would be reason why I should bear with you.
- Colossians 1:21 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled
- 2 Peter 2:7 And delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked
- 2 Peter 3:17 You therefore, beloved, since you know *this* beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the <u>wicked</u>.

Wicked (with Lord in Psalms)

- Psalms 9:16 The <u>LORD</u> is known by the judgment He executes; The <u>wicked</u> is snared in the work of his own hands. Meditation. Selah
- Psalms 10:3 For the <u>wicked</u> boasts of his heart's desire; He blesses the greedy and renounces the LORD.
- Psalms 11:5 The LORD tests the righteous, But the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.
- Psalms 17:13 Arise, O LORD, Confront him, cast him down; Deliver my life from the <u>wicked</u> with Your sword.
- Psalms 31:17 Do not let me be ashamed, O <u>LORD</u>, for I have called upon You; Let the <u>wicked</u> be ashamed; Let them be silent in the grave.
- Psalms 32:10 Many sorrows *shall be* to the <u>wicked</u>; But he who trusts in the <u>LORD</u>, mercy shall surround him.
- Psalms 36:1 To the Chief Musician. *A Psalm* of David the servant of the <u>LORD</u>. An oracle within my heart concerning the transgression of the <u>wicked</u>: *There is* no fear of God before his eyes.
- Psalms 37:7 Rest in the <u>LORD</u>, and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who brings <u>wicked</u> schemes to pass.
- Psalms 37:17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, But the LORD upholds the righteous.
- Psalms 37:20 But the <u>wicked</u> shall perish; And the enemies of the <u>LORD</u>, Like the splendor of the meadows, shall vanish. Into smoke they shall vanish away.
- Psalms 37:28 For the <u>LORD</u> loves justice, And does not forsake His saints; They are preserved forever, But the descendants of the <u>wicked</u> shall be cut off.
- Psalms 37:34 Wait on the <u>LORD</u>, And keep His way, And He shall exalt you to inherit the land; When the <u>wicked</u> are cut off, you shall see *it*.
- Psalms 37:40 And the <u>LORD</u> shall help them and deliver them; He shall deliver them from the <u>wicked</u>, And save them, Because they trust in Him.

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- Psalms 59:5 You therefore, O <u>LORD</u> God of hosts, the God of Israel, Awake to punish all the nations; Do not be merciful to any <u>wicked</u> transgressors. Selah
- Psalms 75:8 For in the hand of the LORD *there is* a cup, And the wine is red; It is fully mixed, and He pours it out; Surely its dregs shall all the <u>wicked</u> of the earth Drain *and* drink down.
- Psalms 94:3 LORD, how long will the wicked, How long will the wicked triumph?
- Psalms 97:10 You who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the souls of His saints; He delivers them out of the hand of the wicked.
- Psalms 101:8 Early I will destroy all the <u>wicked</u> of the land, That I may cut off all the evildoers from the city of the <u>LORD</u>.
- Psalms 104:35 May sinners be consumed from the earth, And the <u>wicked</u> be no more. Bless the <u>LORD</u>, O my soul! Praise the <u>LORD</u>!
- Psalms 129:4 The LORD is righteous; He has cut in pieces the cords of the wicked.
- Psalms 140:4 Keep me, O <u>LORD</u>, from the hands of the <u>wicked</u>; Preserve me from violent men, Who have purposed to make my steps stumble.
- Psalms 140:8 Do not grant, O LORD, the desires of the wicked; Do not further his *wicked* scheme, *Lest* they be exalted. Selah
- Psalms 145:20 The LORD preserves all who love Him, But all the wicked He will destroy.
- Psalms 146:9 The <u>LORD</u> watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the <u>wicked</u> He turns upside down.
- Psalms 147:6 The LORD lifts up the humble; He casts the wicked down to the ground.

Wicked (with Lord in Proverbs)

Proverbs 3:33 The curse of the LORD is on the house of the wicked, But He blesses the home of the just.

- Proverbs 10:3 The <u>LORD</u> will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the <u>wicked</u>.
- Proverbs 10:27 The fear of the LORD prolongs days, But the years of the wicked will be shortened.
- Proverbs 12:2 A good man obtains favor from the LORD, But a man of wicked intentions He will condemn.
- Proverbs 15:8 The sacrifice of the <u>wicked</u> *is* an abomination to the <u>LORD</u>, But the prayer of the upright *is* His delight.
- Proverbs 15:9 The way of the <u>wicked</u> is an abomination to the <u>LORD</u>, But He loves him who follows righteousness.
- Proverbs 15:26 The thoughts of the <u>wicked</u> are an abomination to the <u>LORD</u>, But the words of the pure are pleasant.

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Proverbs 15:29 The LORD is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous.

Proverbs 16:4 The LORD has made all for Himself, Yes, even the wicked for the day of doom.

Proverbs 17:15 He who justifies the <u>wicked</u>, and he who condemns the just, Both of them alike *are* an abomination to the <u>LORD</u>.

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