

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** Ben Hazelwood and Ben Waites will begin the Dave Ramsey, Financial Peace University Course on Wednesday Night, March 5<sup>th</sup>. It is a 9 week course designed to equip families in money management and stewardship. Go online at the following link to sign up. <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/org/22367/class/246857>

**REMINDER:** Go to <http://happenings.gracechapelchurch.com/> to view this week's bulletin, order of worship and songs we will enjoy together. Stay connected!

**SERMON PROMO VIDEO:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PBe4UXIZtRE&feature=youtu.be>

## PERSONAL BEST...MY BEST FOR HIS BEST! What Does God Require?

**BIG IDEA:** The requirements of God are directly related to the condition of your heart.

### ICE BREAKER

1. What were some requirements your parents placed on you as a child to be a responsible member of your family?
2. How did you feel about those requirements as a child?
3. How were those requirements much easier to accept when your heart was right?

### THINK

1. What requirements of God have you found difficult to accept?
2. How does God require the same thing and some different things from each of us?

### EXAMINE

Read **Micah 6:1-8** and answer the following questions.

1. Who is the plaintiff in this courtroom trial?
2. What is the charge?
3. Who are the defendants?
4. Who is the jury?
5. What are some ways God defends His case against the people?
6. What is the defense of the people?
7. What does God require?
8. What does it mean to do justice? Provide some practical examples.
9. How does genuine kindness and humility demonstrate the condition of your heart?

**THIS WEEK:** In **Isaiah 1:11-17**, God rejects the sacrifices the people have been offering to Him because their hearts were not right with Him. It sounds a lot like what Micah says God requires. In **verses 16 & 17**, this is what God requires for the people to get their hearts in the right condition. *Wash yourselves and be clean! Get your sins out of my sight. Give up your evil ways. <sup>17</sup> Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.*

- What sin needs to be repented of and removed to have a heart pure before God?
- What do you need to learn about simply "*doing good*"?
- What justice do you need seek and make right this week?
- How can you help the oppressed?