

JUST BALANCES – JUST WEIGHTS

TEXT:

Leviticus 19:35-36:

35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah [1.1 bushel], and a just hin [6 quarts of liquids], shall ye have: I AM the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

The Bible has much to say about weights and balances. It would do us well to see what God has to say about this matter.



Deuteronomy 25:13-15:

13 Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.

14 Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.

15 But thou shalt have a PERFECT and JUST weight, a PERFECT and JUST measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

Proverbs 11:1: A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is His delight.

Proverbs 20:10, 23:

10 Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abominations to the LORD.

23 Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance is not good.

Proverbs 16:11: A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the bag are His work.

Jeremiah 5:27: As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit; therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

Ezekiel 22:13: Behold, therefore I have smitten Mine hand at thy

dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

Ezekiel 45:10-12:

¹⁰ Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.

¹¹ The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer.

¹² And the shekel shall be 20 gerahs, 20 shekels, 5 and 20 shekels, 15 shekels, shall be your maneh.



Hosea 12:7: He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he loveth to oppress.

Amos 8:5, 7:

⁵ Saying, when will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? And the Sabbath that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and falsifying the balances of deceit?

⁷ The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.

Micah 6:10-11:

¹⁰ Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?

¹¹ Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

Matthew 7:12: Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the Law and the prophets.

Romans 12:17: Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

1 Thessalonians 4:6: That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we have also forewarned you and testified.

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