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Building a Godly Society (Part 3)

Exodus 21:28-22:15

God's laws require His people to live with _____ toward their _____.

"Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."
- Luke 19:8

With greater _____ comes greater _____.

Israeli society assigned responsibility to the _____ and the _____, because their covenant with God was both individual and collective.

The believer's community commitment is to his/her _____.

... 'When a man or woman commits any sin that men commit in unfaithfulness against the LORD, and that person is guilty, then he shall confess the sin which he has committed. He shall make restitution for his trespass in full, plus one-fifth of it, and give it to the one he has wronged. - Numbers 5:6-7

...See how great a forest a little fire kindles! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity ("unrighteousness"). The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude ("likeness") of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. - James 3:5-10

Biblical restitution has no _____.

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. - Galatians 6:7

When there's no _____, believers are to take each other at their word and release the rest to God.