

Scriptural Passages on Immigration

Hebrew Scripture

Exodus 23: 9

You must not oppress the stranger;
you know how a stranger feels,
for you lived as strangers in the land
of Egypt.

Leviticus 19: 32-34

If a stranger lives with you in your
land,
do not molest him. You must count
him as one of
your own countrymen and love him
as yourself—
for you were once strangers
yourselves in Egypt.
I am Yahweh your God.

Tobit 4: 7-8

Set aside part of your goods for
almsgiving.
Never turn your face from any poor
man
and God will never turn his from you.

Psalms 82: 2-4

No more mockery of justice,
no more favoring of the wicked!
Let the weak and the orphan have
justice,
be fair to the wretched and destitute;
rescue the weak and needy,
save them from the clutches of the
wicked!

Psalms 103: 6

Yahweh, who does what is right,
is always on the side of the
oppressed.

Proverbs 31: 8-9

Speak, yourself, on behalf of the
dumb,
on behalf of all the unwanted;
speak, yourself, pronounce a just
verdict,
uphold the rights of the poor, of the
needy.

Ecclesiasticus 4: 8-9

To the poor man lend an ear,
and return his greeting courteously.
Save the oppressed from the hand of
the oppressor,
and do not be mean-spirited in your
judgements.

Isaiah 10: 1-2

Woe to the legislators of infamous
laws,
to those who issue tyrannical decrees,
who refuse justice to the unfortunate

and cheat the poor among my people
of their rights,
who make widows their prey,
and rob the orphan.

Isaiah 61: 1-2

The spirit of the Lord Yahweh has
been given to me,
for Yahweh has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring good news to
the poor,
to bind up hearts that are broken;
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
freedom to those in prison;
to proclaim a year of favour from
Yahweh.

Jeremiah 22: 3-4

Yahweh says this: Practice honesty
and integrity;
rescue the man who has been
wronged from the
hands of his oppressor; do not exploit
the stranger,
the orphan, the widow; do no
violence,
shed no innocent blood in this place.

Micah 6: 8

What is good has been explained to
you;
this is what Yahweh asks of you:
only this, to act justly,
to love tenderly,
and to walk humbly with your God.

Zechariah 7: 8-11

(The word of Yahweh was addressed
to Zechariah
as follows:)
He said: Apply the law fairly, and
practice kindness
and compassion toward each other.
Do not oppress
the widow and the orphan, the settler
and the poor
man, and do not secretly plan evil
against one
another.

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 25: 35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me
food; I was thirsty and you gave
me drink; I was a stranger and you
made me welcome; naked and
you clothed me; sick and you visited
me; in prison and you came
to see me.

. . . I tell you solemnly, in so far as
you did this to one of the least of
these brothers of mine, you did it to
me.

Mark 12: 30-31

This is the first [commandment]...you
must love the Lord your God
with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind and with

all your strength. The second is this:
You must love your neighbor as
yourself. There is no commandment
greater than these.

Luke 4: 18-19

The spirit of the Lord has been given
to me,
for he has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring the good
news to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives
and to the blind new sight,
to set the downtrodden free,
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

Galatians 3: 28

. . . there are no more distinctions
between Jew and Greek, slave and
free, male and female, but all of you
are one in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2: 5-8

In your minds you must be the same
as Christ Jesus:
His state was divine,
yet he did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are;
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.

Colossians 3: 12-13

You are God's chosen race, his
saints; he loves you,
and you should be clothed in sincere
compassion,
in kindness and humility, gentleness
and patience.

1 John 4: 19-21

Anyone who says, 'I love God,'
and hates his brother,
is a liar,
since a man who does not love the
brother that he can see
cannot love God, whom he has never
seen.

So this is the commandment that he
has given us,
that anyone who loves God must also
love his brother.

Pasajes de las Escrituras de Inmigración

ESCRITURA HEBRAICA

Éxodo 23:9

No opriman a los extranjeros, pues ustedes ya saben lo que es ser extranjero. Lo fueron ustedes en la tierra de Egipto.

Levítico 19: 32-34

Cuando un forastero viva junto a ti, en tu tierra, no lo molestes. Al forastero que viva con ustedes lo mirarán como a uno de ustedes y lo amarás como a ti mismo, pues ustedes también fueron forasteros en Egipto, Yo soy Yahvé, tu Dios.

Tobías 4: 7-8

Con tus bienes haz limosna en beneficio de todos los que practican la justicia y el bien, y no vuelvas la cara al pobre, para que el Señor no aparte su rostro de ti.

Salmo 82: 2-4

¿Hasta cuándo serán jueces injustos, Que sólo favorecen al limpio? Denle el favor al huérfano y al débil, Libren al indigente y al humilde, Sálsenlos de las manos del limpio.

Salmo 103: 6

Yahvé hace justicia y da la razón a los oprimidos

Proverbios 31: 8-9

Abre tu boca a favor del que es mudo, Y en defensa de todos los pasajeros. Abre tu boca, decide lo que es justo, Y haz justicia al desvalido y al pobre.

Eclesiástico 4: 8-9

Escucha al pobre y respóndele con palabras buenas. Arranca al explotado de manos del opresor. No te acobardes cuando hagas justicia.

Isaías 10: 1-2

Pobres de aquellos que dictan leyes injustas Y con sus decretos organizan lo opresión, Que despojan de sus derechos a los pobres de mi país E impiden que se les haga justicia, Que dejen sin nada a la viuda Y se roban la herencia del huérfano.

Isaías 61: 1-2

El Espíritu del Señor Yahvé está sobre mí, Yahvé me ha elegido. Me ha enviado para anunciar buenas noticias a los humildes, Para sanar a los corazones heridos, Para anunciar a los desterrados su liberación, Y a los presos su vuelta a la luz. Para publicar un año feliz llenos de favores de Yahvé,

Jeremías 22: 3-4

Yahvé dijo: Practiquen la justicia y hagan el bien: Liberen de la mano del opresor al que fue despojado; No maltraten al forastero ni al huérfano ni a la viuda: No les hagan violencia, Ni derramen sangre del inocente en este lugar.

Miqueas 6: 8

Lo que es bueno ya se te ha dicho, Y lo que el Señor te exige: Tan sólo que practiques la justicia, A que quieras con ternura y te portes humildemente con tu Dios.

Zacarías 7: 8-11

Esto es lo que Yahvé decía y ahora se encarga Zacarías de decir: Actúen siempre con sinceridad, Sean buenos y compasivos con sus hermanos. No opriman a la viuda ni al huérfano, al extranjero ni al pobre; no anden pensando cómo hacerle el mal al prójimo.