

Battling Unbelief

Discussion Questions- Noted by Pastor Keith McMinn

Chapter 6: *Battling Bitterness*

- 1. “Is believing in God’s vengeance an example of faith in future grace or is it only faith in future justice?” (Piper, 103)**

- 2. How does Matthew 5:45, “Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” inform how you should approach those who do you harm? (Piper, 104)**

- 3. How is God’s judgment on “those who afflict us” a form of grace towards us? (Piper, 105)**

- 4. What was your reaction to Jonathan Edwards words when he states, “It is often mentioned in Scripture, as an instance of the great love of God to His people, that His wrath is so awakened, when they are wronged and injured”? (Piper, 107)**

- 5. How is the future grace of God’s judgment promised to us? (Piper, 107)**

- 6. Have you ever found yourself even briefly at a point where you were like “the unforgiving daughter” Piper mentioned? What is a bitter person really saying if that is their heart position? (Piper, 108)**

- 7. What is the judicial predicament? How can we often respond in these moments? (Piper, 109)**
- 8. Do you believe God will “right wrongs” that others have done to you? (Piper, 110)**
- 9. Who was the ultimate example of handling the judicial predicament” How did He handle it? (Page 111)**
- 10. Where should we turn to assure ourselves that justice will be done? (Piper, 112)**
- 11. Why do we not need to get even?**
- 12. What did Piper mean when he said that the fight against bitterness is fought by “cherishing the experience of being forgiven? (Piper, 115)**
- 13. In what day-to-day areas do you struggle with unbelief?**