

**30 SCRIPTURE SUGGESTIONS FOR
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SUNDAY SERVICE**

1. **Genesis 37:18—20** They saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him. They said to each other, "Here comes that dreamer. Now is our chance; let us kill him and throw him into one of these pits and say that a wild beast has devoured him. Then we shall see what will become of his dreams".
2. **Leviticus 19:15** Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly.
3. **Deuteronomy 16:18** Appoint judges and other officials in every town that the Lord your God gives you. These men are to judge the people impartially.
4. **Psalms 34:14** Turn away from evil and do good. Search for Peace and work to maintain it.
5. **Psalms 82:3—4** Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.
6. **Psalms 140:12** Lord, I know that you defend the cause of the poor and the rights of the needy.
7. **Proverbs 21:3** Do what is right and just; that is more pleasing to God than sacrifice.
8. **Proverbs 21:15 NIV** When **justice** is done, it brings joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers.
9. **Proverbs 28:5** Evil people do not know what justice is, but those who worship the Lord understand it well.
10. **Isaiah 1:16—17** Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow.
11. **Isaiah 54:10** Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.
12. **Isaiah 51:7** Hearken unto me, you who know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear not the reproach of people, and be not dismayed by their revilings.
13. **Amos 5:21—24** I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me burnt offerings and cereal offerings, I will not accept them, and the peace offerings of your fatted beasts, I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.
14. **Micah 6:8 NIRV** The Lord has shown you what is good. He has told you what he requires of you. You must act with justice. You must love to show mercy. And you must be humble as you live in the sight of your God.
15. **Zechariah 7:9 NIRV** Here is what the Lord who rules over all said to his people. "Treat everyone with justice. Show mercy and tender concern to one another.

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16. **Matthew 5:3—12** Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the realm of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall
17. **Matthew 5:16** In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.
18. **Luke 2:79** To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
19. **Luke 18:7-8** Now, will God not judge in favor of his own people who cry to him day and night for help? Will he be slow to help them? I tell you, he will judge in their favor and do it quickly.
20. **John 8:12** I am the light of the world, whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.
21. **John 14:27** Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you, I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
22. **Romans 15:5 NIV** May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,
23. **1 Corinthians 14:33** For God is not a God of disorder but of peace. As in all the congregations of the saints,
24. **2 Corinthians 4:6** For God, who commanded the light to shine out darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the Glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
25. **Ephesians 4:3 NIV** Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
26. **Ephesians 6:14** Be ready! Let the truth be like a belt around your waist, and let God's justice protect you like armor.
27. **Philippians 4:6-7** Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
28. **Colossians 3:12—14** Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving one another; as God has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
29. **Hebrews 1:8** About the Son, however, God said: "Your kingdom, O God, will last forever and ever! You rule over your people with justice".
30. **2 Peter 3:13** What we await are new heavens and a new earth where, according to God's promise, the justice of God will reside.