

Dove West Auckland June Meeting

Father Neil Vaney spoke on Justice

Fr Neil shared deep insights into biblical Justice. 'Justice,' he said, 'is not hitting someone over the head because he is wrong, but is living by the covenant that God asks of us. Then we shall be blessed and our whole lives will be blessed. Turning to justice means that God will return what has been lost or taken from us. It is restoration being restored.'

Fr Neil directed us to the Book of Amos to learn about Biblical Justice.

In the Old Testament God raised up people to protect Heroes and Heroines such as Hannah and Susanna. In the Psalms; we see how God reversed situations; turning calamities into goodness.

In the New Testament we see Justice being restored through Our Lady's situation. She praised God (the Magnificat) in difficult circumstances and trusted that God would take care of everything.

Fr Neil spoke about how God restored what was lost in his life. Because he is a Religious he does not have a wife or family. But God restored this loss by giving him lifelong friends who are like children and family to him.