

YOUR JOURNEY TO JUSTICE

*These prompts are meant to encourage dialogue - perhaps with yourself or with someone else - to dig deep into your own perspectives on, and practices of, **justice**. Ruminates on the provocations, sit with your stories and reflect on how you got to know what you know. Do it all at once or contemplate one prompt a week. Do it at your own pace. Do it out of order. Do it because you're ready. When you have a sense of where you are on your own map, then you can calibrate to get where you want to be. Begin your journey...*

GROWING up:

Early years - up to age 8

- What is your earliest memory of conflict?
- What did you need at that moment?
- How was it addressed?
- Did it get resolved in a manner that made sense to you?
- How did you feel afterwards?

Middle years - age 9-14

- What did "fair" look like in your upbringing?
- How were rules determined?
- How were decisions made if there wasn't enough?
- What were the repercussions if rules were not followed?
- What did peace feel like to you?

Young adult - age 15-19

- What did/does conflict with your friends look like?
- How did/do you respond when someone hurts you?
- Did/do you have a meaningful community?
- Were/are you able to share when something bothers you?
- How did you learn to apologize?



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Your views on JUSTICE now:

- What did/does equilibrium look like to you? If there is balance, or harmony, what does that feel like?
- How do you balance people's rights? For example, how do we balance free speech against a right to safety?
- What do you think of punishment? Revenge?
- What are your views on ownership of land? Water? Air?
- What does stewardship mean?
- What should happen to people who steal? Does it matter if they are poor or rich?
- What does it look like to make amends?
- How should resources be distributed? Does it matter how much people have? Does it matter how much people need?
- What are your thoughts on meritocracy? Do you believe if people work hard, they will succeed?
- What are your views on prisons, jails and detention centers? Should they exist? If not, what should exist instead?
- Do you prioritize making your spaces and events accessible to everyone? Why or why not?
- Do you believe in bodily autonomy? How far does that go?
- Do you think gender is fluid? Why or why not?
- What are your thoughts on consent? What about for children?
- Do you believe race/ethnicity matter? Should we be color-blind? Should we celebrate diversity? Is the United States a racist country?
- How do you determine who belongs?



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The CALIBRATION:

- Consider the kind of world you want to live in.
- Consider how you want to be treated when you make a mistake - small or grave.
- Consider what it feels like to have community. Recall when you didn't feel like you belonged and remember what it feels like to be included.
- Consider how you want your children, nieces, nephews, cousins and any other young person to be treated when they cause harm to other people.
- Consider what people need to thrive.
- Consider the benefits of everyone in your community having what they need.
- Consider what this earth needs to be healed and healthy.
- Consider a world where everyone feels safe enough and good enough.

*Imagine what that looks like.

- What needs to happen in order to create that world?
- What is your role in building that world?
- What do YOU need to do differently to fulfill that role?
- Will you do it? What is holding you back?
- What stops you from understanding that no one else on earth can do what YOU do?
- When will you show up for yourself and for the world?

