

## **Sermon Discussion Questions: Numbers 35**

**September 16th, 2018**

1. What in the sermon encouraged you, comforted you, challenged you, or informed you?
2. Read Deuteronomy 16:18-20. What principles guide a Biblical view of retributive justice?
3. Why should the intentionality of the murder determine the consequence? In what way does the city of refuge protect life?
4. Sadly, there have been many capital punishment cases with false convictions. The person dies for a crime he/she never commits. What provision does Moses call for in Numbers 25:30 to insure the truthfulness of the conviction? Why do you think people are so quick to convict someone even if that person evidently did not commit the crime?
5. Read Numbers 35:33. We see here that the only way to make right and atone for the murder of a person, is by the blood of the one who shed it. Murdering an image bearer of God is such an offense to the Creator of Life, that the murderer's life is required to be taken. And yet, the wages of any sin against the Creator of life is death (Romans 6:23). This demonstrates the severity of our sin and the severity of the cross. How does Jesus Christ himself overcome the death we all deserve in Romans 5:15-19 for all who trust in Him?