

## **How Faith Helps Us Strive For Justice**

Faith is a big motivator for many things. Faith should be what helps us strive for justice in society and in our own lives. Many problems have been around for many years, and it is our faith in Jesus Christ that needs to push us to strive for justice. Poverty, child labor and abuse are all things that Jesus calls us to solve and show his love.

So many organizations are in existence to end poverty such as World Vision. They are a huge organization for poverty and founded events such as the 30 Hour Famine where youth gather pledges and then fast for 30 hours. Many church groups do this event. This is just one of the ways that through our faith can help end issues that can be so easily fixed.

Have you ever went to the dollar store and bought some toys? More than likely, you just supported child labor. Child labour is a serious issue. I would not want to work 13 hours a day, 7 days a week as an 8-year-old child making pennies a day. There is something that we can do. Instead of going to the dollar store, go and get your items from a regular store. There are also many advocacy groups for child labor. Jesus considered children to be his prized possessions and he wouldn't want this on them, nor anybody.

Abuse is everywhere, and yet we don't see it. Why? Because no one tells us. We need to help those who are abused by parents, siblings, or people in power. Places like the Open Door in Camrose is an organization that houses and supports youth that have been abuse or are having family issues. They need volunteers and support. Jesus calls us to help those in need.

There is injustice everywhere and there are many ways to help out. Our faith calls us to help those in need. The 30 Hour Famine and Open Door are just a few of many ways to help those who are suffering from injustice.