## GOD IS STILL ON THE THRONE

## Key Scripture: PSALM 82

God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment: "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked." They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. I say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you; nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince." Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!

This Psalm is a poetic presentation of the justice demanded in the law of God. It was a rebuke and an indictment of those who were presiding judges; those who had been given authority on earth to represent God's interests and to carry out His will. They abused their authority and in doing so failed miserably in their assignment to rule justly.

## Questions to Ponder:

How is injustice manifested today by those entrusted with authority?

What are some examples of Abuse of Ordained Authority?

Is the Church (Universal) in any way complicit regarding the many injustices we witness today? If so, in what ways?

1. God is the Judge of $\qquad$ .

1 Chronicles 29:11-12. Isaiah 40:10-26
2. God commands the Indictment of $\qquad$ .

Amos 5:24
3. God reserves $\qquad$ for the $\qquad$ .

Isaiah 13:11

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