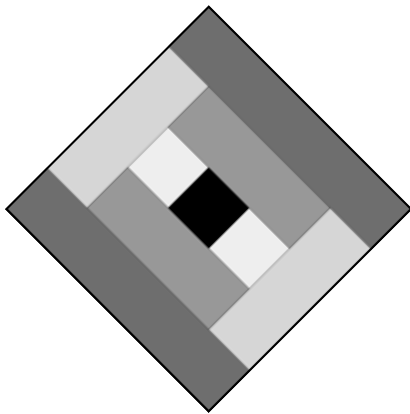




# Block 16: Call To Justice



Pattern for a 5" finished block—All seams are 1/4".  
Pressing directions are indicated.

Fabric needed for one block & Cutting instructions	
<b>Fabric 1</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (1) 1-1/2" squares
<b>Fabric 2</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (2) 1-1/2" squares
<b>Fabric 3</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (2) 1-1/2"x3-1/2" rectangles
<b>Fabric 4</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (2) 1-1/2"x3-1/2" rectangles
<b>Fabric 5</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (2) 1-1/2"x5-1/2" rectangles

From the moment we are baptized, we belong to God. All that we are, all that we can be, our time, our talents, our

gifts and our service — it all belongs to God. So what are we supposed to do with it all? God not only calls us to nurture and serve those in need, but also to challenge social injustice, policies and structures that serve the wealthy at the expense of the poor and powerless. *"He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8* The Oxford Annotated Bible with the Apocrypha, Expanded Edition,

Without justice, there is no peace. We do not have to look very far to see evidence of injustice in today's world. Turn on the television, and we are inundated with political unrest, social injustice, violence, and terrorism. Can you believe how bad things are getting in today's world? Why doesn't God do something? Well, He did! He created you and I, and we are tasked with doing something. We can't just sit on the sidelines. It is time to get in the game. Loving our neighbor comes with responsibilities. We have the responsibility to speak out when we witness injustice, even when it might be easier to remain quiet.

The common good of the community and justice are central to what it means to be a Christian. Isn't that what Jesus' life and death was all about? His death brought about salvation, enabled justice and human freedom. We can start simply — with prayer. God spoke to Jeremiah, *"But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare."* **Jeremiah 29:7.** Prayer is just the start. Hebrews 11:33 tells us that we are God's hands for dispensing justice. We have to walk our talk and put our prayers into action. *"Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!" Psalm 106:3.*

Start by making a list of the injustices that impact your family, your neighbor, your church community, your city or your state. Pick one and DO SOMETHING!

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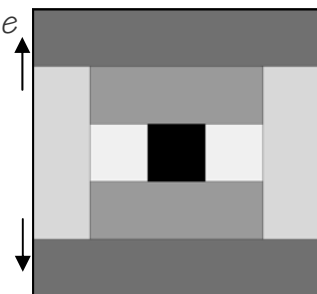
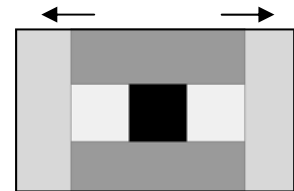
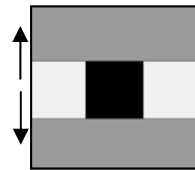


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Pattern for a 5" finished block—All seams are 1/4".  
Pressing directions are indicated.

## Instructions

1. Stitch (2) Fabric 2 squares to each side of the Fabric 1 square.  
Press seams to the outside. The unfinished unit should measure 1-1/2"x3-1/2".
2. Stitch (2) Fabric 3 rectangles to the top and bottom of the unit from Step 1. Press seams to the outside. The unfinished unit should measure 3-1/2".
3. Stitch (2) Fabric 4 rectangles to each side of the unit from Step 2. Press seams to the outside. The unfinished unit should measure 5-1/2"x3-1/2".
4. Stitch (2) Fabric 5 rectangles to the top and bottom of the unit from Step 3. Press seams to the outside. The unfinished block should measure 5-1/2".



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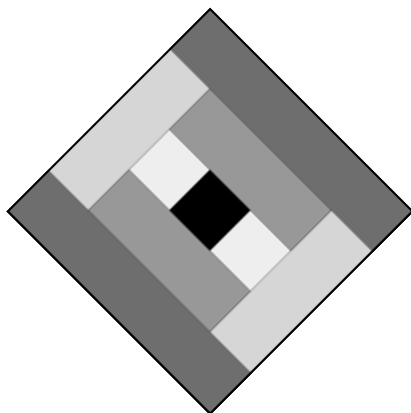
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# Block 16: Call To Justice



Hopefully, every time you see this simple Courthouse Steps block in your quilt, it will remind you of God's call to seek justice in the world.

The space below is provided for your personal reflection.

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