Deuteronomy 24:17-18 **Justice undefiled**

17 "You shall not pervert justice due the stranger or the fatherless, nor take a widow's garment as a pledge. 18 But you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and the LORD your God redeemed you from there; therefore I command you to do this thing. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ♥ God demands true justice for the poor and helpless. [Exodus 22:21-24, 23:6-9, Leviticus 19:33-35, 24:22, Deuteronomy 10:17-19]
- ♥ When taking pledges as collateral for a loan, you are not allowed to take what is needed for day to day living. [Exodus 22:25-27, Deuteronomy 24:6, 24:10-13, 17-18]
- **⇔** God again uses the experience of slavery in Egypt as the example to instruct Israel to be merciful to those unable to defend themselves. [Deuteronomy 15:12-15, 16:9-12, 24:17-18, 24:19-22]
- ❖ God showed His mercy toward Israel when He delivered Israel from bondage in Egypt.
- **♦** He uses that experience as the basis for commanding them to be merciful to others.