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The Conception of Justice in the General
Epistles of the New Testament

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[Abstract] This paper thinks that the authors of the general epistles of the New Testament believe the reality of the events of the Christ's return and his judgment. In light of the double perspectives of the past and the future in time, they dealt with all their persecutions and sufferings which they were encountering in their era, and held an eschatological conception of justice. Fundamentally the meaning of the term of justice in the New Testament refers to the just relationships between man and man. Its core is the righteousness in agape (absolute respect for the life of everybody), focusing on overcoming evil by good. Its real example is the moral route sign that the crucifixion of Jesus Christ declared publicly. The authors of the general epistles understand the conception of justice from the aspects of the family ethics of individual, the attitude of the Church to wealth, and the political relation of believers with any rulers.