



How to Get Back at Someone

Matthew 5:38-42

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If Jesus isn't messing up my life, I'm not doing Jesus right.

"You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you." -Jesus, Matthew 5:38-42 (NIV)

Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, bruise for bruise. Exodus 21:24-25 (NIV)

"But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also." -Jesus, Matthew 5:39 (NIV)

Cheek slapping.

"If someone slaps you on the right cheek, offer the other cheek also." -Jesus, Matthew 5:39 (NLT)

Shirt Taking.

"And if someone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat as well." -Jesus, Matthew 5:40 (NIV)

Mile Walking.

"If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles." -Jesus, Matthew 5:41

Money Giving

"Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you." -Jesus, Matthew 5:42

If I were to do that I'd have to be a _____

For your Life Group and accountability time...

Talk about an incident when someone in your life showed you unnecessary kindness and helpfulness. Talk about why they did they do it and how did you feel?

Read Leviticus 24:19-21 and then Jesus' words in Matthew 5:38-42. Discuss the differences between these two ways of treating people.

Why would Jesus' way be so tough to pull off?

Share among your group any pending situations where you have to 'turn a cheek' or go an extra mile.