

6. Our tendency, when wronged in some way, is to do what?
7. What kind of person does it take to be able to resist the natural tendency to retaliate?
8. Jesus is telling the Jews, and us, what God intended by His what?
9. What is Jesus taking issue with in these verses?
10. The commonly accepted view of our Lord's day was that God's law sanctioned, encouraged, and even promoted what?
11. Where, in the Old Testament, did the religious leaders find, "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth?"
12. The statement, "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," always occurred in what context?
13. The first reason why God set up this statute was as a deterrent for what?
14. What was a second reason why God gave this statute?
15. Based upon this statute, the punishment should always fit what?
16. What had the people of Jesus' day done with this law?
17. What will be the result if people take matters into their own hands?
18. If you make this law to refer to personal retaliation, then you are encouraging people to develop what?
19. We should NOT try to use verse 39 to say that what is unbiblical?
20. This passage ISN'T addressing what topics?
21. The teachers of Jesus' day promoted and supported their views by quoting from whom?
22. What does it take for us to respond the way Jesus tells us to respond in verse 39?
23. Anyone can respond to wrongs by what?
24. Not only is Jesus showing us the way to live, He is also showing us that it is impossible to do what?
25. Our normal reaction to perceived wrongs in life or actual wrongs in life is to fight back or stand up for what we believe are our what?
26. If you are going to err, err on the side of doing what?
27. We are trained, by our society, to believe that the most precious thing in all the world is what?
28. What is the most precious thing?
29. The first example Jesus used of giving up rights involves what?
30. What was an unforfeitable possession, as spoken of in verse 40?
31. What is Jesus talking about in verse 41?
32. What is verse 42 exhorting?
33. 2 Thessalonians 3:10 tells us what about those who don't work?
34. In verse 42, Jesus is describing the kind of person who is what?

35. Why does Jesus use the hyperbole in verse 40?

36. The point Jesus is driving home in these verses is that those who belong to Him ought to be people who are known as what?

37. Are you?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read Matthew 1:1-5:48**
- 2) Look up the word, "gimpers" in a dictionary this week and see if you can find a definition of it. What did you find? Are you one? Do you know someone whom you would classify as a Gimper?**
- 3) Did God ever say, "hate your enemy?"**
- 4) How are you supposed to respond to your enemy?**
- 5) What is one way, that these verses confront you, just with a casual reading of them?**

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A GIVING HEART OF NON-RETALIATION

Matthew 5:38-42

(Series#30)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**A Giving Heart of Non-Retaliatio**n." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is the natural response to being slapped or punched in the face?
2. What section on the Sermon on The Mount has probably been the most misunderstood section throughout the centuries?
3. One of the reasons why this section is so often misunderstood is because many people fail to do what?
4. What is the larger context of these verses?
5. In the verses we are looking at this morning, Jesus is describing the actions and reactions of a person who has what kind of heart?

****To help protect the quality of recording the sermon, we ask that you quietly turn to the inside of this study guide. Thank you! We appreciate your help.**