

An Eye for an Eye  
Matthew 5:38-42

1. Turn the other \_\_\_\_\_ – vv. 38-39
2. Give them the \_\_\_\_\_ off your back – vv. 40
3. Go the extra \_\_\_\_\_ – v. 41
4. Don't stop with mercy... offer \_\_\_\_\_ – v. 42

To Go

1. Ask God to bring to mind a person who has insulted and humiliated you. Instead of retaliating, offer them mercy by turning the other cheek.
2. Ask God to bring to mind a person who is taking advantage of you. Instead of withholding, offer them mercy by giving them the shirt off of your back.
3. Ask God to bring to mind a person who is acting unfairly toward you. Instead of begrudgingly doing what they ask, offer them mercy by going a second mile even when it's not required.
4. Offer grace this week to a person by giving them more than they have attempted to or succeeded in taking from you.

# At Home Study Guide

For the week March 19, 2017

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## Quick Review

Continuing in our Red Letters sermon series, we come to Jesus' comments about truth telling in the kingdom of heaven. His message here is a part of Jesus' longest recorded sermon in the New Testament. We encourage you to read Matthew 5-7 in its entirety at least once each week during the series. Ask God to show you ways you can reflect His heart for the world during this season. In your time with the Lord and with your Growth Group, ask and answer these questions to help guide you in responding to Jesus' message from Matthew 5:38-42.

Looking back at the outline or your notes, what stood out to you most from the message on Sunday?

Read the account of the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20:1-21. Discuss how those commandments are still in effect today.

In what ways are we prone to make the commandments more about semantics than about the issues of the heart? How have you seen already in the Red Letters series that Jesus fulfills the law, rather than replaces it? How about in the passage for this week? (Matthew 5:38-42).

What have you learned about yourself from the sermon and reading of the text?

What is your next step of obedience in light of what you read in the text, heard in the message, and discussed as a group?