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ONE AT A TIME CHAPTER 5: EXTRA MILE MENTALITY

"How do you respond when someone hurts you? Betrays you? Rejects you? Ridicules you? Takes advantage of you? Gossips about you?"

Kyle idleman (pg. 89)

"YOU HAVE HEARD THAT IT WAS SAID, 'AN EYE FOR AN EYE AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH. BUT SAY TO YOU, DO NOT RESIST THE ONE WHO IS EVIL. BUT IF ANYONE SLAPS YOU ON THE RIGHT CHEEK, TURN TO HIM THE OTHER ALSO. AND IF ANYONE WOULD SUE YOU AND TAKE YOUR TUNIC, LET HIM HAVE YOUR CLOAK AS WELL. AND IF ANYONE FORCES YOU TO GO ONE MILE, GO WITH HIM TWO MILES. GIVE TO THE ONE WHO BEGS FROM YOU, AND DO NOT REFUSE THE ONE WHO WOULD BORROW FROM YOU."

MATTHEW 5:38-42 (ESV)

Jesus' Teaching on Retaliation:

- 1. IF ANYONE SLAPS YOU ON THE RIGHT CHEEK, TURN TO HIM
 THE OTHER ONE ALSO.
- 2. If anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well.
- 3. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles.
- 4. If anyone begs or wants to borrow from you, give and do not refuse.

When we are <u>insulted</u>, <u>taken advantage of</u>, <u>forced to do something</u>, and <u>nagged</u> ...

CHRIST-FOLLOWERS ARE TO RESPOND WITH MERCY
AND GRACE.

"It's hard to think of it this way, but when you're mistreated and taken advantage of, it provides an opportunity to love and live like Jesus."

Kyle Idleman (pg. 99)

ONE AT A TIME CHAPTER 6: DON'T BE A PRIG

DEFINITION OF A "PRIG"

A SELF-RIGHTEOUS PERSON WHO BEHAVES AS IF SUPERIOR TO OTHERS.

KYLE IDLEMAN (PG. 100)

Two Questions:

- 1. Has condemning a person ever changed that person?
- 2. Has feeling condemned ever helped you to change?

KYLE IDLEMAN (PG. 106)

² Early in the morning, [Jesus] came again to the temple. ALL THE PEOPLE CAME TO HIM, AND HE SAT DOWN AND TAUGHT THEM. ³ THE SCRIBES AND THE PHARISEES BROUGHT A WOMAN WHO HAD BEEN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY, AND PLACING HER IN THE MIDST 4 THEY SAID TO HIM, "TEACHER, THIS WOMAN HAS BEEN CAUGHT IN THE ACT OF ADULTERY. ⁵ Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone SUCH WOMEN. SO WHAT DO YOU SAY?" 6 THIS THEY SAID TO TEST HIM, THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE SOME CHARGE TO BRING AGAINST HIM. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground.

JOHN 8:2-6 (ESV)

⁷ AND AS THEY CONTINUED TO ASK HIM, HE STOOD UP AND SAID TO THEM, "LET HIM WHO IS WITHOUT SIN AMONG YOU BE THE FIRST TO THROW A STONE AT HER." ⁸ AND ONCE MORE, HE BENT DOWN AND WROTE ON THE GROUND. ⁹ BUT WHEN THEY HEARD IT, THEY WENT AWAY ONE BY ONE, BEGINNING WITH THE OLDER ONES, AND JESUS WAS LEFT ALONE WITH THE WOMAN STANDING BEFORE HIM. 10 JESUS STOOD UP AND SAID TO HER, "WOMAN, WHERE ARE THEY? HAS NO ONE CONDEMNED YOU?" 11 SHE SAID, "NO ONE, LORD." AND JESUS SAID, "NEITHER DO I CONDEMN YOU; GO, AND FROM NOW ON, SIN NO MORE."

JOHN 8:7-11 (ESV)

THE TRAP:

- A. CONTRADICT THE LAW OF MOSES
- B. Order the woman to be stoned
- C. REFUSE TO TAKE A POSITION

What does Jesus do?

D. HE FLIPS THE SCRIPT

"SIN WAS NOT TREATED LIGHTLY BY JESUS, BUT SINNERS WERE OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO START LIFE ANEW."

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(New American Commentary, John 1-11)