



SERMON STUDY GUIDE

“Matthew 5:33-42” on May 24th

CONNECT

How did last week’s passage we read/discussed from Matthew 5:27-32 affect your week?

DISCOVER - MATTHEW 5:27-32

What did the passage say or did you take away from the sermon this week?

How does this passage/did this sermon point us to Jesus or teach us about Jesus?

God desires for citizens of His Kingdom to be His image-bearers; what the world sees in our lives and the life of the Church affects how they see God. Today we look at three things: Truth matters. Don’t take revenge. Live generously

TRUTH MATTERS! Jesus instructs us to simply be truthful – always. Truth has become relative in our society; the culture of our family, business, team, and relationships will be based on how truthfully we lead them.

- Are you known as a person who keeps his/her word?
- What areas of your life as a follower of Jesus would you like to see God strengthen?
- What can other people determine about truth in your life?
- How are the choices you are making reflecting your citizenship in Gods kingdom?

In Scripture, both God and Jesus make promise after promise to us – promises with eternal rewards!

- What promises of Jesus stand out most to you?
- How do the promises of Jesus sustain you?

DON’T TAKE REVENGE OR RETALIATE! God alone is in charge of administrating justice.

- When you feel you have been wronged, how equipped are you to GIVE mercy and justice rather than receive it?
- How could this impact the content of your prayers?
- How is it difficult to be God’s image-bearer when you’ve been wronged?
 - What is your greatest challenge to depend on God’s justice, not your own?

LIVE GENEROUSLY! Jesus instructs us to ‘walk the second mile’ as His image-bearers.

- What does this look like for citizens of God’s Kingdom?
- How willing are you to do whatever it takes to show who Jesus is and what it looks like to follow Him in your everyday life?
- What practical steps can you intentionally take to go the second mile in relationships that might be difficult?

OF THESE THREE: Truth matters. Don’t take revenge. Live generously.

- Which means the most to you, and why?

RESPOND

What changes could you make this week to increase your dependence on Jesus?

Who is someone you can have a conversation with about what Jesus is doing in your life or invite to join you as you watch CU Church online next week?

PRAY



CHURCH

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE

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Praying for each other and spend time praising God. Pray that he will show you how to better love God and love people.

KEEP READING

Luke 10:25-37 where Jesus teaches on living graciously and generously. 1 Peter 2:20-25 where Peter describes Jesus what Jesus has done for us. Romans 12:17-21 where Paul challenges us with living at peace with people.