

## PART 3

# TURNING TABLES AND TURNING A CHEEK

# UNDERSTANDING HOLY ANGER AND HOLY PASSIVISM

### Understanding Holy Anger

(John 2:13-22, Matthew 21:12-17, Matthew 23)

Notes:

### Understanding Holy Passivism

(Matthew 5:9, Matthew 5:38-48, Matthew 7:1-2, Matthew 9:10-13, 1 Peter 3:8-12, Romans 12:14-21, John 8:1-11, Luke 10:30-37)

Notes:

### Discussion Questions:

1. Have there been times in your life where Jesus would have called you a Hypocrite? Why?
2. What does loving our enemies and pacifism towards those who are harsh towards us accomplish? Why does Jesus call us to behave in such a way?
3. Our current Christian culture seems to wrestle with being passive, why do you think this is?
4. Jesus prioritizes his ministry with relationships with sinners. Why? What can we learn from following Jesus in this area?

### Personal Reflection

We will begin next week in our uncomfortable conversations addressing how Jesus' followers should navigate a handful of difficult social topics. Think about the following in preparation:

- Do I have any other questions regarding Jesus' view on the Law, on Love, and on Relationships.
- What do I want to make sure is in my own Worldview statement in order to productively navigate these uncomfortable conversations:
  - Jesus Followers and Sinful Behavior
  - Jesus Followers and Race
  - Jesus Followers and Politics/COVID 19
  - Jesus Followers and Gender/Sexuality
  - Jesus Followers and "...that one thing"

### Prayer

"Jesus, Thank you for showing me through scripture your heart and love for the broken and lost. As I follow you, give me a passion for your justice, not my justice- For Your mercy, not my mercy- And, for Your faith, not my Faith. May I learn to love others, even those who are hard for me to love, through relationships and the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen"

