



# SERMON ON THE MOUNT



**LOVE YOUR  
ENEMIES**

# MATTHEW 5:38-48 CSB

You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I tell you, don't resist an evildoer. On the contrary, if anyone slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. As for the one who wants to sue you and take away your shirt, let him have your coat as well. And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two.

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...Give to the one who asks you, and don't turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you. You have heard that it was said, Love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven. For he causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

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# MATTHEW 5:38-48 CSB

...For if you love those who love you, what reward will you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what are you doing out of the ordinary? Don't even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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***TELEIOS:***

**WHOLE / COMPLETE / ENTIRE /**

**HAVING REACHED ITS END.**

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# MATTHEW 5:20 GSB

For I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.


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**“JESUS IS EMPHASIZING THE INTERNAL  
OVER THE EXTERNAL AND PROCLAIMING  
THAT GOD SEES AND CARES ABOUT  
WHO PEOPLE ARE AT THE HEART LEVEL.”**

– Jonathan T. Pennington

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**THE SERMON ON THE  
MOUNT IS A SERMON  
ON HOW TO FLOURISH.**

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# MATTHEW 5:38-42 CSB

You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I tell you, don't resist an evildoer. On the contrary, if anyone slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. As for the one who wants to sue you and take away your shirt, let him have your coat as well. And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to the one who asks you, and don't turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

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# JOHN 13:15

I have set you an example that you should do as I have done to you.

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# MATTHEW 26:50-53

Jesus replied, “Do what you came for, friend.”

Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him. With that, one of Jesus’ companions reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

“Put your sword back in its place,”

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# MATTHEW 26:50-53

... Jesus said to him, “For all who draw the sword will die by the sword. Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels?”

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# LUKE 23:34

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

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# 1 CORINTHIANS 6:7

The very fact that you have lawsuits among you means you have been completely defeated already. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be cheated?

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# MATTHEW 5:43 CSB

You have heard that it was said,  
Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.

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# MATTHEW 5:44 CSB

But I tell you, love your enemies.

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# **WHAT IS AN ENEMY?**

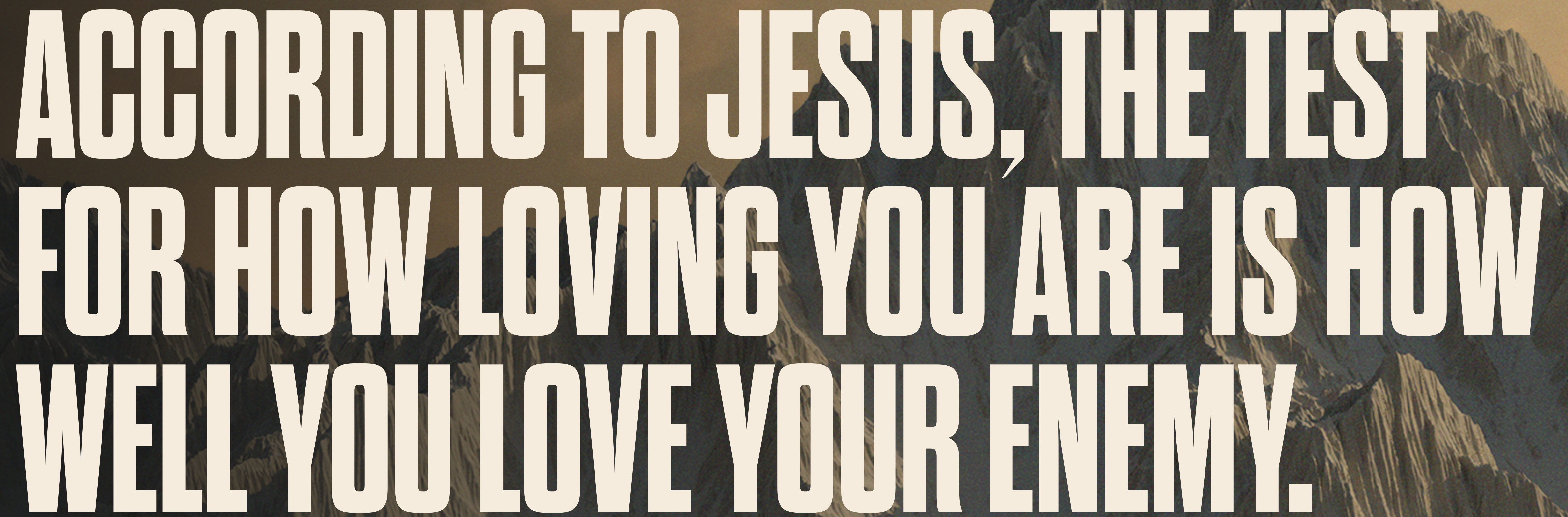
- **SOMEONE YOU TEND TO AVOID.**
- **SOMEONE THAT IF THEY CAME AND SAT RIGHT NEXT TO YOU AT CHURCH RIGHT NOW, YOU'D BE UPSET.**
- **SOMEONE YOU WOULDN'T VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUT.**
- **SOMEONE YOU WOULDN'T GIVE THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT TO IF THEY DID SOMETHING QUESTIONABLE.**
- **SOMEONE YOU CONSISTENTLY THINK NEGATIVELY ABOUT.**
- **SOMEONE YOU HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME WANTING THE BEST FOR.**
- **SOMEONE THAT IS HARD FOR YOU TO PRAY FOR.**

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# LUKE 6:35-36

But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

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**ACCORDING TO JESUS, THE TEST  
FOR HOW LOVING YOU ARE IS HOW  
WELL YOU LOVE YOUR ENEMY.**

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# MATTHEW 5:44

And pray for those who persecute you.

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**PRAYER MAY OR MAY NOT  
CHANGE THE OTHER PERSON,  
BUT IT ALWAYS CHANGES YOU.**

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# MATTHEW 5:45 CSB

So that you may be children of your Father in heaven. For he causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

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# EPHESIANS 5:1-2 CSB

Therefore, be imitators of God, as dearly loved children, and walk in love, as Christ also loved us and gave himself for us, a sacrificial and fragrant offering to God.

# ROMANS 5:6-8

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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# MATTHEW 5:46-47 CSB

For if you love those who love you, what reward will you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what are you doing out of the ordinary? Don't even Gentiles do the same?

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**HOW FAR WILL  
YOU TAKE LOVE?**

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# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is one of the most powerful stories of love you have ever seen or heard?
2. Talk about a time you have reconciled with someone.
3. What is an enemy to you?
4. What is holding you back from loving your enemy? Pray into that.



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