



Group Questions | May 15 | Week 4

SERIES RECAP

When Jesus came in the flesh, he set an example of what life was always supposed to look like. This series will be a verse by verse journey through one of the most important sermons ever preached. When Jesus gathered His early followers on the side of a mountain, he shared these words to prepare them for the calling they were stepping into as Kingdom people.

CONNECTION

What are some of the weirdest laws you've ever heard?

Here are a few from Kentucky

- You can't carry an ice cream cone in your back pocket.
- You can't throw flowers at a public speaker.
- No serpent handling in churches.
- You must stop your vehicle before hunting.

This week we start the first of several laws from the Old Testament that Jesus takes a step further. Can someone read Matthew 5:21-26?

We'll dive into this more, but I think it's fair to say we all get angry about different things; what are some things on the top of your list?

TENSION

When you hear verses 23-24, what "pushbacks" or "what ifs" come to mind?

Does it seem unfair that Jesus claims we should reconcile, but there's nothing in there about what was done? What if this person highly wronged you?

TRUTH

We get more advice on this from the apostle Paul when he writes to the church in Ephesus. Can someone read Ephesians 4:26?

What do you think about this verse? What do you think Paul is getting at here?

Can someone read verse 27?

What do you think this verse is saying? How does sinning in our anger or holding on to anger give the devil a foothold?

APPLICATION

Are there any situations, people, or grudges held in your life that you've been angry at long enough and you feel you need to address?

Or are there areas of your life that regularly create anger that you need to work on? Are there areas that this group can come alongside and either pray for or help you with?

PRAY