

For the week of November 03, 2019

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Grace Givers

Ninth week in the series: *Blessed Are*

Matthew 5:38-42

How do you respond when you feel attacked? Our natural tendency is to defend ourselves or attack back, but Jesus calls something more compelling: grace. Grace is at the center of the gospel, and Jesus invites us to keep it at the center of our lives as well.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is your natural response when someone insults or attacks you in some way?
2. Read Matthew 5:38-42. How do the words of Jesus strike you as you read them? Do his instructions seem doable?
3. How does the grace that you have received from God fuel you to be gracious towards others?
4. Dallas Willard says, "In every concrete situation we have to ask ourselves, not "Did I do the specific things in Jesus' illustrations?" but "Am I being the kind of person Jesus' illustrations are illustrations of?" Are you becoming the kind of person that Jesus' illustrations are illustrations of?"
5. Are there any specific situations in your life in which Jesus might be calling you to be a radical giver of grace?