



SMALL GROUPS – 2/1/15

QUESTIONS FROM THE SERMON (Matthew 5):

1. Why is just retribution an endless cycle in a blood feud?
2. In vs.38-39 a person's honor would be violated. How far would you let this treatment go?
3. Why would this teaching be particularly offensive in a shame/honor based culture?
4. In v.40 we are being asked to voluntarily give more than we are being sued for. What if you are in the right and are still being sued?
5. In v.41 the person is being compelled into forced labor with no compensation. Yet we are being asked to double our efforts! How can Jesus ask this of us in light of I Timothy 5:18?
6. Read v.42. Have you ever lent something out and not gotten it back? How do you feel about that? Why? Jesus taught that the number one competitor for our heart is money. How does this relate to verse 42?
7. Honor, rights, time, and money are dealt with here. Which one or ones are the hardest for you to bring under this teaching? Why?