



Video Sermon Notes: November 1st 2020

The Spirit of the Law - Justice

Matthew 5:38-42

"Blessed are the peacemakers..." - Jesus

Observations

1. Your actions must come from a _____
2. Be an active agent of _____
3. Remove the nails by _____ & leave justice to _____

READ: 1 Peter 3:8-12

Peter continues in the same pattern set by Jesus from **verse 2:23** *"when they hurled insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats."* What is the reason that Peter gives for obeying Jesus' example in **verse 3:9**? What conclusions do you draw from **verse 12** and the consequences of good vs evil actions?

READ: 1 Thessalonians 5:15

The word Paul uses for 'pay back' means "to deliver what is owed." Why do you think it is so hard to keep from 'paying back' wrong for wrong?

READ: Romans 5:6-11

How has God dealt with your sinfulness? Can you see how God's actions have become the standard for His children?

READ: Psalm 103:8-12

Explain **verse 10**? What do you think your sins deserve? How close is your character to God's character, as found in **verse 8**?

READ: Romans 12:17-19

Once again we see the command *"do not repay evil with evil"*. Then **verse 18** commands you to *"live at peace with everyone"*. How can you flip it, and repay "good" for "good"? How do you think "good" actions will produce "peace"? How does **verse 19** teach us that God will deal with all wrongs? Why is it so important that we understand God will ultimately judge? How does that allow you to turn the other cheek?

Bonus READ: Proverbs 11:21