

Review:

Lesson 1: Whom God Blesses

Lesson 2: Salt & Light

Lesson 3: Law in 3D (Pt. 1)

## Law in 3D (Pt. 2)

### Matthew 5:17-32

*Jesus spoke in such a way as to never give anyone a reason to doubt his word. As his followers, we should do likewise. If our integrity is intact, we don't need \_\_\_\_\_ in order to be more compelling. We just need our word.*

**Discussion 1. What are some common ways well-meaning Christians lose credibility or get their integrity called into question? How can we live so as to avoid those pitfalls?**

*For Christ followers, "turning the other cheek" means responding to attacks and negative encounters with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ rather than with punishment and vengeance.*

**Discussion 2. If turning the other cheek is hard for me, does that mean I'm not really a Christ follower? Or is it rather something I should be growing into in my faith? Explain what you believe.**

*Jesus' insistence that his followers should love our enemies stands in \_\_\_\_\_ to the world's culture wars and armed conflicts. As Christ followers, we should pause and seriously ponder our role in those struggles.*

**Discussion 3. As you glance across our culture at those who call themselves Christians, how would you say they (we) are doing with loving those who oppose them (us)? How do you handle this idea in your own heart/mind? Have you found a way to think about this that helps you do better?**

*Jesus' calling on his followers is not a calling to moral or even theological perfection...it is a calling to \_\_\_\_\_ (spiritually) and to think and to love like He did.*

**Discussion 4. What is something you are working on right now in order to "grow up" spiritually? What is something you have not yet started working on, but you know it will be a next step for you?**