



Sermon Discussion Guide - October 26, 2025
Thy Kingdom Come - Matthew 5:33-42

The sermon series “Thy Kingdom Come” explores the fundamental laws of living in the Kingdom of God.

- 1. What are some common ways people make promises, and attached to the promise is some kind of qualifier (ie, “I’ll do this like my life depended on it.”)? Why do people do this? Have you ever done this?**
- 2. Read Matthew 5:33-37**
 - *What stands out to you about this passage?*
 - *How does it affect you when someone doesn’t keep their word?*
- 3. A key issue here is the matter of integrity.**
 - *In what ways might we unintentionally undermine the seriousness of our word?*
- 4. What’s a common, everyday situation that you find immediately triggers your instinct to “fight back,” even in a small way?**
- 5. Read Matthew 5:38-42**
 - *What stands out to you in this passage?*
 - *Jesus is referencing OT passages like Leviticus 24:20 here. What is Jesus trying to convey, without diminishing the truth of the OT?*
- 6. Jesus lists 4 examples of being nonretaliatory: not resisting who doing evil, turning the other cheek when slapped (insulted), giving someone your coat when being sued for your shirt, and walking two miles when forced to only go one mile.**
 - *Which of these scenarios is the most challenging to apply in your current life? Why is Jesus’ teachings on things like this so hard to practice?*
- 7. In looking at Matthew 33-42 as a whole, what are the heart issues that Jesus is trying to encourage us to live by?**
- 8. How can your group pray for and support you in light of today’s discussion?**