

## The Most Dangerous Mindset You Can Have

Matthew 5:38-48

You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.'<sup>39</sup> But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.<sup>40</sup> And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well.<sup>41</sup> If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles.<sup>42</sup> Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.<sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'<sup>44</sup> But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,<sup>45</sup> that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.<sup>46</sup> If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that?<sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?<sup>48</sup> Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

### I. The "You Have Heard" interpretation of the Old Testament Law

*Old Testament parallel verses/historical explanation of this law*

A. The purpose of the law was to prevent further \_\_\_\_\_ and to prevent personal \_\_\_\_\_.

B. The perversion of the law allowed man to be his own judge, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the most dangerous mindset you could have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of this law was to include \_\_\_\_\_ in need.

2. The perversion of this law included an \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_ of who to love.

### II. The "I Tell You" explanation given by Jesus

A. Jesus was not advocating a resistance to \_\_\_\_\_ in and of itself.

B. Jesus was instead advocating the right response when personally \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

1. There was no worse \_\_\_\_\_ than being \_\_\_\_\_ in the face.

2. There was no better \_\_\_\_\_ than refusing to \_\_\_\_\_ back.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not a personal \_\_\_\_\_ back at someone.

1. There was to be a giving \_\_\_\_\_ of what was most \_\_\_\_\_.

2. There was to be a giving \_\_\_\_\_ of what would fix \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ had to carry the load of the \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ was given to travel \_\_\_\_\_ the norm.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ can only be shared and given away when you realize it's not your \_\_\_\_\_.

2. It really comes down to meeting \_\_\_\_\_ not asking why they \_\_\_\_\_ it.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Our enemies are more often than not \_\_\_\_\_ people.

2. Our enemies are more often than not \_\_\_\_\_ people.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

1. We love not to \_\_\_\_\_ but to give evidence to the fact that we \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ grace is given to all whether we \_\_\_\_\_ it or not.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

1. It's not hard to \_\_\_\_\_ those who \_\_\_\_\_ you back.

What is the most dangerous mindset you can have?

It's not personal \_\_\_\_\_.

The most dangerous mindset you can have is to be content with \_\_\_\_\_ when the standard has always been \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Since we are \_\_\_\_\_ we pursue \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Since we are \_\_\_\_\_ we pursue \_\_\_\_\_.

While you may not hit perfection if you shoot for it, I can guarantee you that if you shoot for imperfection, you will always hit it.