

Love Without Limits

Series: *Jesus Uncut – Sermon on the Mount*
– Matthew 5:38-48 –

1. A Love that **Forgives** (vss. 38-39)

2. A Love that **Expands the Requirements** (vss. 40-42)

3. A Love that **Loves Indiscriminately** (vss. 43-48)

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. What parts of this text stand out to you? What parts challenge or make you feel uncomfortable. Begin with honest reflection.
3. As you look at this passage, how does Jesus “fulfill” (draw out the original intent) of God’s law to love your neighbor as yourself?
4. Look closely at verses 38-42. How does our natural response collide with the response that Jesus advocates?
5. Do you think Jesus literally means for us to keep ourselves in physically abusive relationships or to allow a litigator to take all of our possessions? What is His point here?
6. How does love inform the way we respond when we are wronged? Is the command to love mutually exclusive with a desire for justice? Is it mutually exclusive with a desire for vengeance? (Rom. 12:17-13:5)
7. How would you assess the church’s obedience to the call to love our enemies? How would you assess your obedience?

