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“God is more willing to forgive than we are to sin.”
- Charles Spurgeon

- 1) Read Matthew 5:38-42. What is the big idea? Which of the four illustrations seem the most challenging?
- 2) How does “do not resist the one who is evil” relate to the justice system (“an eye for an eye”)? Does the demand of forgiveness require Christians to refuse to prosecute their enemies for their crimes? Why or why not?
- 3) How does Jesus amp up the demand of the law to forgive?
- 4) How does your generosity line up with Jesus’ command? (Psalm 37:21; Prov. 21:26)
- 5) Jerram Barrs comments, “The true test of our servanthood is how we respond when someone treats us like a servant.” How do you respond when you are treated like a servant?
- 6) What resources are given to us in the gospel which allow us to be generous with forgiveness and our stuff?
- 7) What words would you use to describe a church who lives out this text? (Micah 6:8) Who do you need help with love/forgiveness/generosity?

Take time to pray together. Pray for a deeper understanding of how much we are forgiven and how wealthy we are in Christ. Pray for our church and those who need help forgiving