

St. Matthew 5:38-48

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Teaching about Revenge

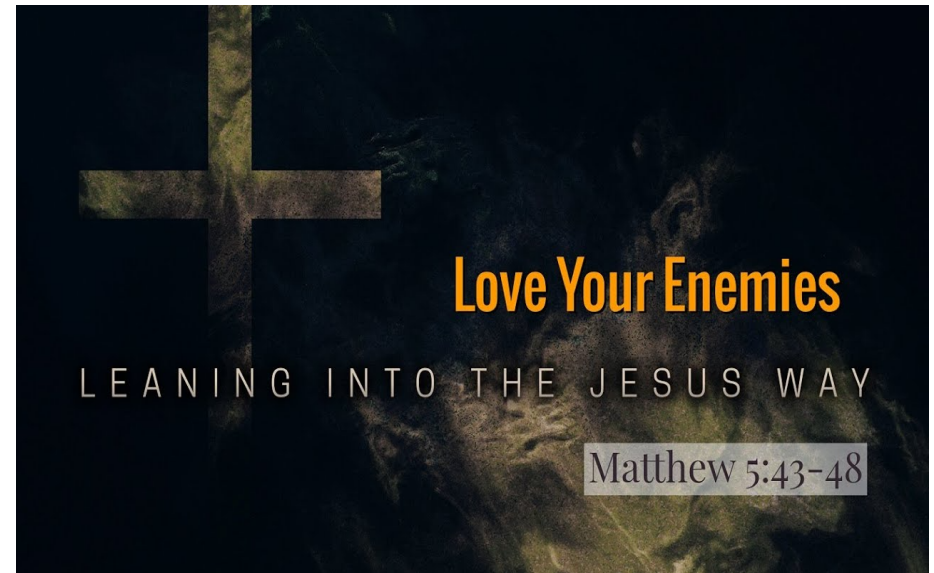
³⁸ “You have heard the law that says the punishment must match the injury: ‘An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.’ ³⁹ But I say, do not resist an evil person! If someone slaps you on the right cheek, offer the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ If you are sued in court and your shirt is taken from you, give your coat, too. ⁴¹ If a soldier demands that you carry his gear for a mile, carry it two miles. ⁴² Give to those who ask, and don’t turn away from those who want to borrow.

Teaching about Love for Enemies

⁴³ “You have heard the law that says, ‘Love your neighbor’ and hate your enemy. ⁴⁴ But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you!⁴⁵ In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven. For he gives his sunlight to both the evil and the good, and he sends rain on the just and the unjust alike. ⁴⁶ If you love only those who love you, what reward is there for that? Even corrupt tax collectors do that much. ⁴⁷ If you are kind only to your friends, how are you different from anyone else? Even pagans do that. ⁴⁸ But you are to be perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect.

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Sunday 26th January 2025 10:30 am
The Church of Jesus the Saviour
Celebrates the Good News
of God's Love for the World
Made Manifest in Jesus His Son
as we learn to share Christ's Love with everyone

Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!

Call to Worship:

Praise: “His name is wonderful” **SB #62**

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: “Freely, freely” **SB #33**

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

Celebrating the Truth of God's Word! - We are Listening!

Scripture: St. Matthew 5:38-48 NLT

Message: “Love your enemies, it messes with them!”

Celebrating the Truth of God's gifts to us – We Are Accountable

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession:

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “God my Father, loving me” vs 3, 4 **BP #359**

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: “Tell me the old, old story” **BP #401**

Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “Change my heart O God” **SB #62**

Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests

Gladys Brown – at home

Frank De Vries – at home

Frank Ingold – at home

Jackie Greenwood – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Mary Master – Conestoga Lodge

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg & Terry McCorriston – at home

Julie Phoenix – Southbridge London Long Term Care Home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Winston Park LTC

Dirk Vanderhide – at home

Glen Verheye – at home

Sunday School:

The dates this term for our regular bi-weekly Sunday School are: **January 26; February 9, & 23; March 23; April 06, & 20; May 04, & 18; June 01, & 15.**

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team permanently but also specifically to help with the younger group. If interested, please contact Cathrine (gcejtaylor@gmail.com), Nicolene (nclemens7@yahoo.ca).

We are thrilled to share and grow with the children this year. Peace and Joy, Cathrine and Nicolene

Events This Week: 19th January – 02nd February 2025

Sunday: 10:30 am – Worship Service, Sunday School; coffee, cake, & conversation in the Gray Hall.

1:30 pm – Leading worship at Sunnyside Home

Monday: 7:30 – 9:30 pm – GRIPS in the Gray Hall.

Tuesday: 9:30 – 11:30 am – Bible study group by Zoom.

6:30 – 8 pm – Sparks in the Gray Hall

Wednesday: 6:30 – 9 pm – Scouts in the Gray Hall

Thursday: 9 – 11 am – Sonshine Corner in the Gray Hall

Sunday: 10:30 am – Worship Service

From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E – transfer:** This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance.** This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu “Donate Now”) and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

Thank-you for your ongoing and prayerful support of the mission and ministry of KEPC.

Preliminary year end 2024 financial results show that thanks to everyone’s ongoing generosity and stewardship, KEPC has reached the financial goal of covering all expenses without a shortfall & will likely end the year with a surplus!

We are just waiting for a few year-end reports to confirm the final numbers, but we wanted to let you know as soon as possible and thank everyone for their financial support! Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!!

Thank you,
The Finance & Stewardship Team

Offering Envelopes: If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2025 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris. For anyone that has changed addresses, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

Thank-you, from the Finance & Stewardship Team.

Grocery Cards:

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every week. For each card we sell we receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services.

The Annual Congregational Meeting:

The elders have set that the annual congregational meeting will be on Sunday 16th February 2025 at 11:30 am, immediately following the 10:30 am worship time together. The annual meeting will be in-person ***Would all groups and people who do up a report please have them emailed to Barb Cook (mjblcook@outlook.com) by today, 26th January 2025*** so that we will have time to email the Report for the congregation, as well as have some paper copies available.

WOW:

KEPC is excited to announce that WOW, Women of Worship is returning. Ladies, please join us on Saturday, February 22nd from 10 – noon in the Gray Hall, for a meet and greet and an idea sharing meeting. Coffee, tea and treats will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Anne Aitken at 519-886-6559 or aitkenj09@gmail.com.