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REACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS

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While actions speak louder than words, but reactions speak louder than either.

It's as surprising and as so shocking as an overreaction, it's the over-underreaction.

If we look and sound and act and react just like everybody else, we have missed our opportunity.

"You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also."

Matthew 5:38-39 (NIV)

"If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you."

Matthew 5:41-42 (NIV)

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:43-45 (NIV)

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"If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that?"

Matthew 5:46 (NIV)

"And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?"

Matthew 5:47 (NIV)

"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Matthew 5:48 (NIV)

Jesus commands us to react toward others the way he reacted toward us.

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反應比說話更有說服力

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行為勝於言語,但反應更有說服力。

與「過度反應」一樣令人詫異和震驚,就是「過度低調反應」。

若我們的外表、言語、行為和反應與他人無異,我們就錯過了我們的機會。

「你們聽見有話說:『以眼還眼·以牙還牙。』只是我告訴你們·不要與惡人作對。有人打你的右臉·連左臉也轉過來由他打。」 馬太福音 5:38-39 (和合本)

「有人強逼你走一里路·你就同他走二里;有求你的·就給他;有向你借貸的·不可推辭。」 馬太福音 5:41-42 (和合本)

「你們聽見有話說:『當愛你的鄰舍·恨你的仇敵。』只是我告訴你們·要愛你們的仇敵·為那逼迫你們的禱告。這樣就可以作你們天父的兒子。」 馬太福音 5:43-45 (和合本)

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「你們若單愛那愛你們的人·有甚麼賞賜呢?就是稅吏不也是這樣行嗎?」 馬太福音 5:46 (和合本)

「若你只歡迎自己人,你比別人多做了甚麼?」 馬太福音 5:47 (意譯)

「所以,你們要完全,像你們的天父完全一樣。」 馬太福音 5:48 (和合本)

耶穌吩咐我們要以祂怎樣待我們來回應他人。

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