

RADICALLY

DIFFERENT

MATTHEW 5:38-42



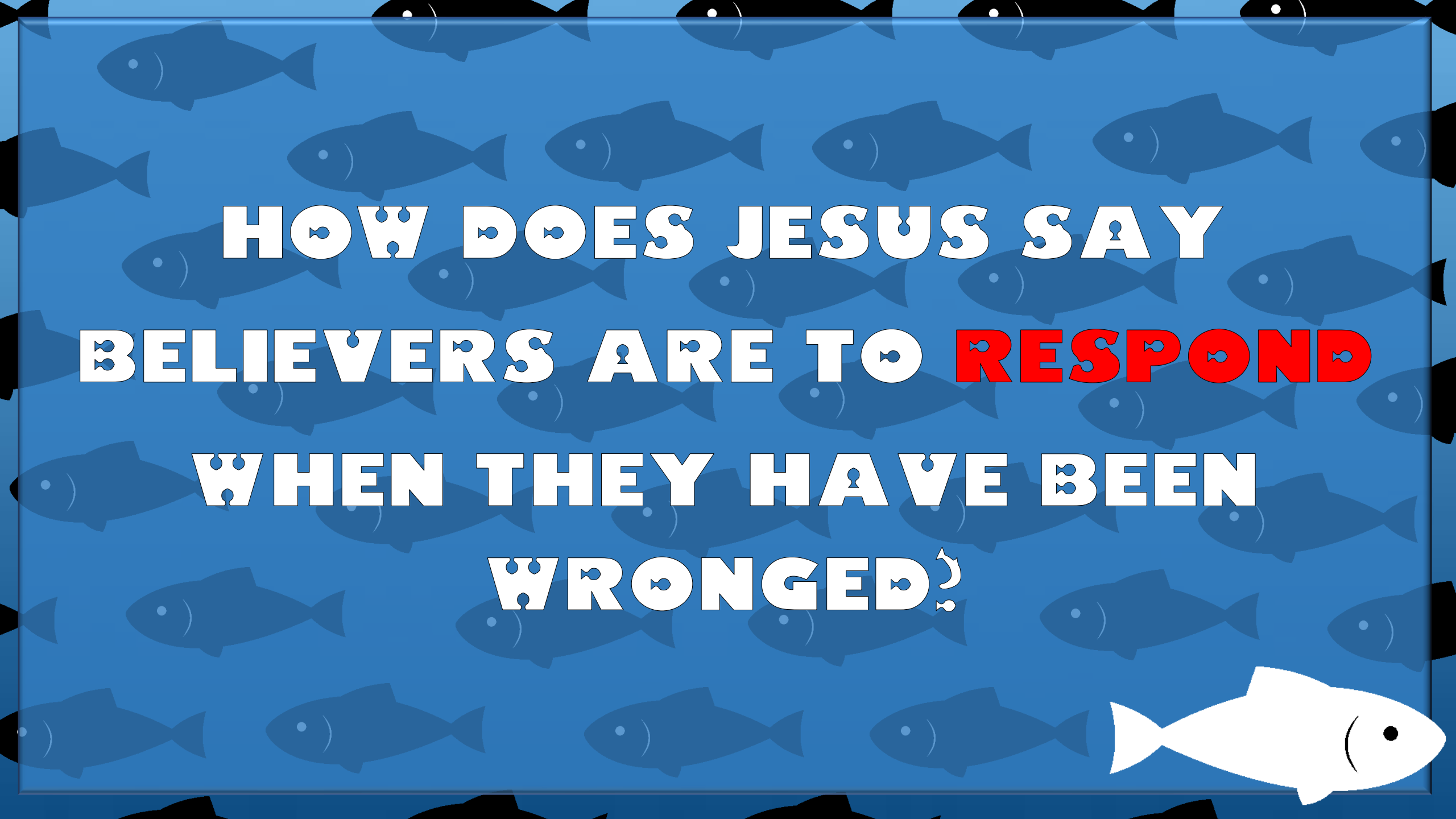
OUR COMMUNICATION
MATTERS GREATLY TO GOD
AND COMMUNICATION ISN'T
JUST HOW WE TALK, IT'S ALSO
HOW WE TREAT OTHERS
(WORDS AND ACTIONS
OFTEN GO TOGETHER)



PROVERBS 6:16-19

WHEN WE **SURRENDER AND**
SUBMIT TO JESUS' LORDSHIP,
WE ARE GIFT-WRAPPING OUR
HEARTS AND HANDING THEM
OVER TO HIM





**HOW DOES JESUS SAY
BELIEVERS ARE TO RESPOND
WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN
WRONGED?**



LOVE IN THE FACE OF
ADVERSITY AND BEING
WRONGED, **PUZZLES** THE
WATCHING WORLD
AND FORCES THEM TO
WONDER WHY





**RADICAL
RETALIATION**



MATTHEW 5:38

EXODUS 21:23-25

DEUTERONOMY 19:21

LEVITICUS 24:17-22



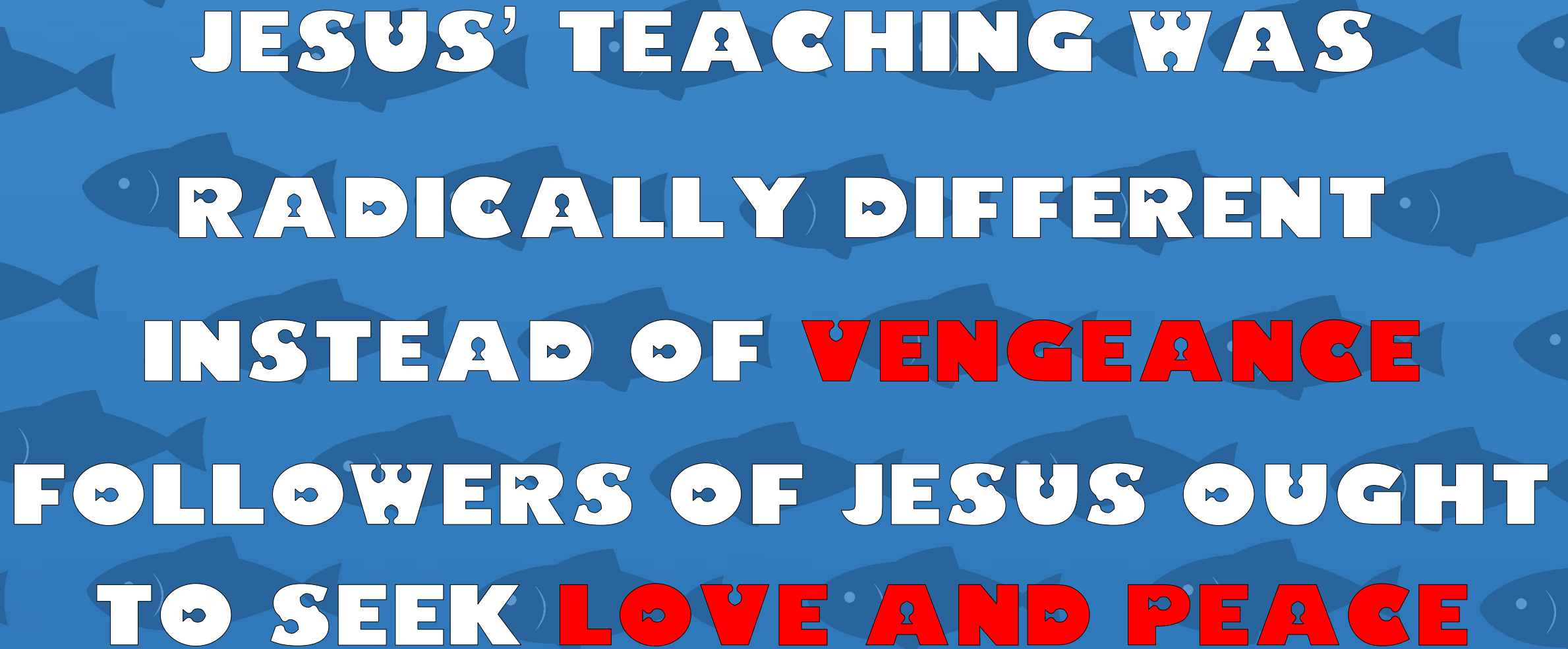


THE WHOLE GOAL IN THIS

“EYE FOR AN EYE”

**LAW WAS TO HELP WITH FAIR
AND BALANCED SENTENCES**



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**JESUS' TEACHING WAS
RADICALLY DIFFERENT
INSTEAD OF VENGEANCE
FOLLOWERS OF JESUS OUGHT
TO SEEK LOVE AND PEACE**



ROMANS 12:17-21

HOW WE LIVE OUR LIVES

CAN BE A POWERFUL

TESTIMONY USED BY GOD



I. **INSULTING SLAPPER**

(**MATTHEW 5:39**)

BEING SLAPPED ON THE RIGHT

CHEEK WAS A BACKHANDED

SLAP AND THE INTENT WAS TO

EMBARRASS THE RECIPIENT

MATTHEW 26:67-68



II. **INSATIABLE SUER**

(MATTHEW 5:40)

“**SHIRT**” ~ TUNIC (THE LONG INNER

GARMENT, WORN UNDER THE

COAT AND NEXT TO THE SKIN

“**COAT**” ~ THE OUTER GARMENT

(WHICH WAS MORE VALUABLE)

III. **INSUFFERABLE SOLDIER**

(MATTHEW 5:41)

IF A SOLDIER WANTED AN
ISRAELITE TO CARRY SOMETHING,
HE WAS **LEGALLY ALLOWED** TO
MAKE THAT ISRAELITE CARRY IT
FOR 1 MILE = 1,000 PAGES



IV. IN NEED ... BE A SHARER

(MATTHEW 5:42)

WE NEED TO FEED THEM AND

SHARE WITH THEM WHAT

GOD'S GIVEN TO US

(WITH ZERO EXPECTATIONS OF

ANYTHING IN RETURN)

II CORINTHIANS 8:7-9

**ALLOW GOD TO TAKE YOUR
WOUNDS AND INSTEAD OF
SEEKING RETRIBUTION TURN IT
INTO AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
RADICAL RETALIATION**

