

Conversation Guide

Bullying pt. 3

Part 3 summary

- All of us will be deeply hurt at some point in our lives. While revenge is a wrong reaction, it is rooted in a desire for justice.
- Our response to an attack should be to “turn the other cheek,” that is, assert our value without sinning.
- Some have been so hurt by others that they’re convinced violence is the only way to regain significance. But love is the only effective answer to darkness and hatred.

1. Pain and Significance
2. Attacking the Image
- 3. Revenge**
4. Rehabilitation

Discussion questions

01 Have you ever wanted to get revenge on someone? What did you end up doing?

02 What do you think it looks like practically to “turn the other cheek”?

03 Do you feel like you have the ability to show love to people who are filled with hate? Why or why not?

Diving deeper

Romans 12:19 says, “Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’” Revenge doesn’t have to be violent and dramatic; it can be subtle. What are ways people might be tempted to seek revenge in their daily lives? What is the balance between leaving revenge to God and seeking justice here on Earth? Why does it look like to entrust vengeance to God?