



# LAWSUIT

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# Christian Lawsuits

1Co 6:1-11



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does he dare **go to law before the unrighteous**  
instead of the saints?



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1 Corinthians 6:6

but brother **goes to law** against brother,  
and that **before unbelievers?**



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is already a defeat for you.



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# 1. Prohibition



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- ▶ Aren't you ashamed of yourself?



Q1

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instead of the saints? v1



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Q2

Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? v2



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(Mat 19:28, Luk 22:30, Rev 2:26, 20:4)



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Q2,3

Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world?

And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases? v2



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Q4

Do you not know that we are to judge angels?

How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life! v3



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Q5

So if you have such cases, why do you lay them  
before those who have no standing in the church? v4



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Q6

Can it be that there is no one among you wise enough to settle a dispute between the brothers, v5



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Q7

Why not rather suffer wrong?

Why not rather be defrauded? v7



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A pair of ornate brass scales of justice is placed on a wooden table in a courtroom. The scales are the central focus, with two pans hanging from a central point. The background shows rows of wooden desks and brown leather chairs, typical of a courtroom. The lighting is warm, highlighting the metallic sheen of the scales and the wood of the furniture.

**Can we sue another Christian?**

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**I say this to your shame.**

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A pair of ornate brass scales of justice is the central focus, resting on a dark wooden table. The scales are unbalanced, with the right pan being significantly lower than the left. The background is a blurred courtroom with rows of brown leather chairs and wooden desks. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the metallic sheen of the scales.

**Is there no proper recourse?**

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The Lender agrees that the Loan is given for the purpose of promoting the Christian faith and that any dispute that may arise, relating directly or indirectly to the Loan, shall be resolved by the principles of Christian conduct as revealed in the Holy Bible. Therefore, all disputes shall be resolved within the Church (1Cor 6:1-7). If the Lender so wishes, he may request the **Dispute Resolution Committee** of GLCC (the "Committee"), to adjudicate and resolve any dispute between the Lender and the Church, and the Lender irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of the Committee, and agrees that decision of the Committee shall be conclusive and binding on both parties.

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## 2. Posture



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## 1 Corinthians 6:7

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**Why not rather be defrauded?**



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## 1 Corinthians 6:8

But you yourselves wrong and defraud—  
even your own brothers!



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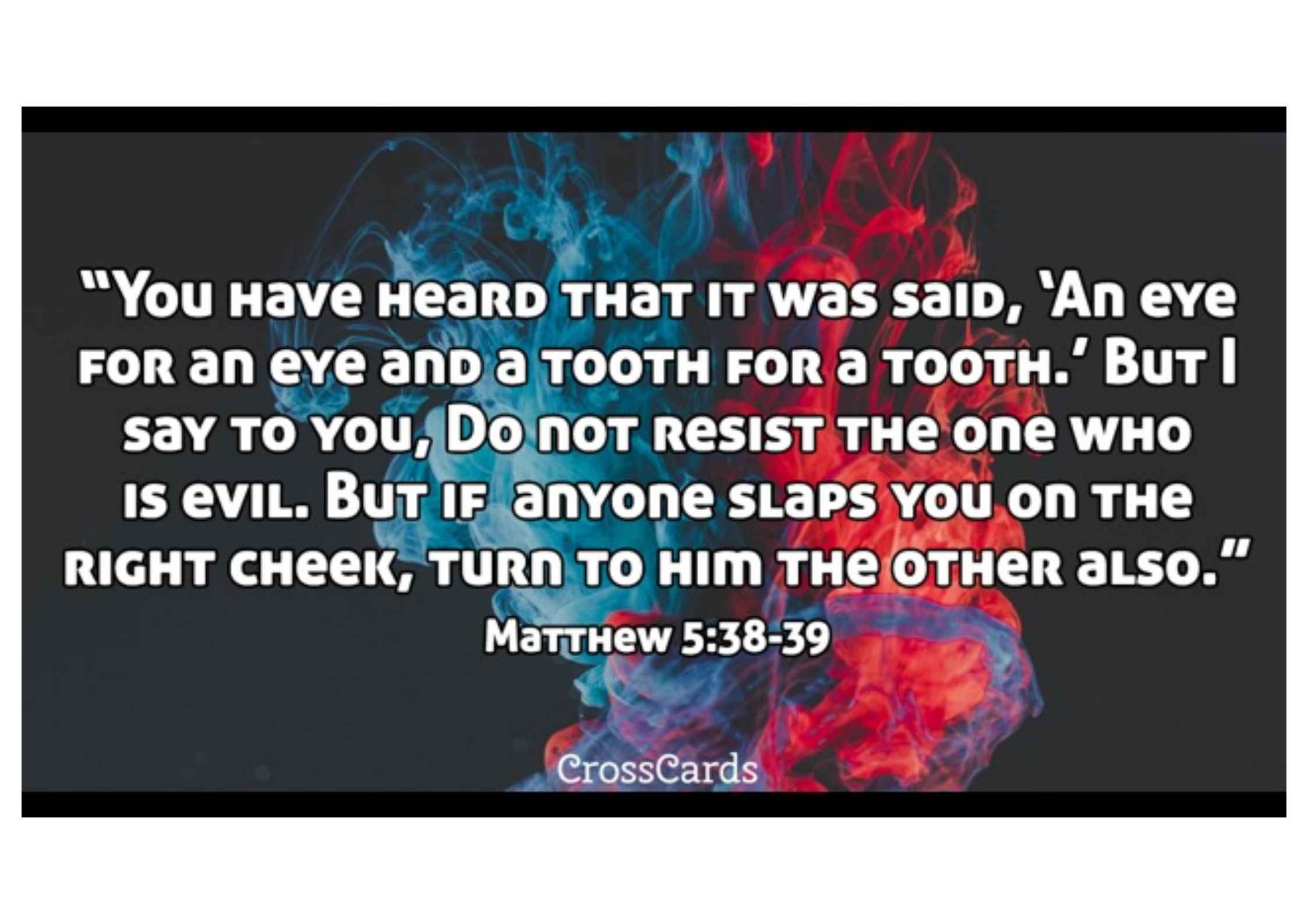
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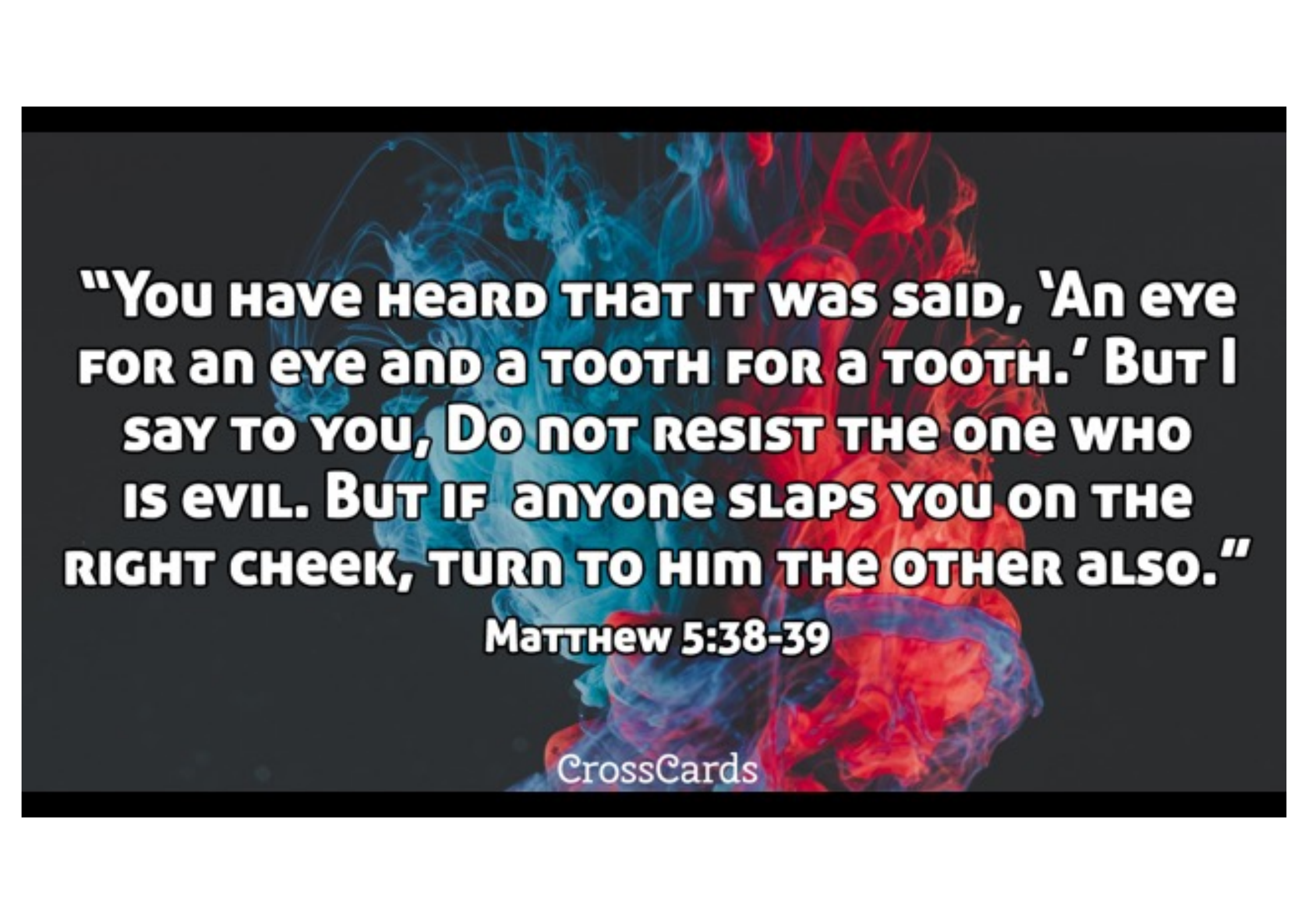


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**Matthew 5:38-39**

CrossCards

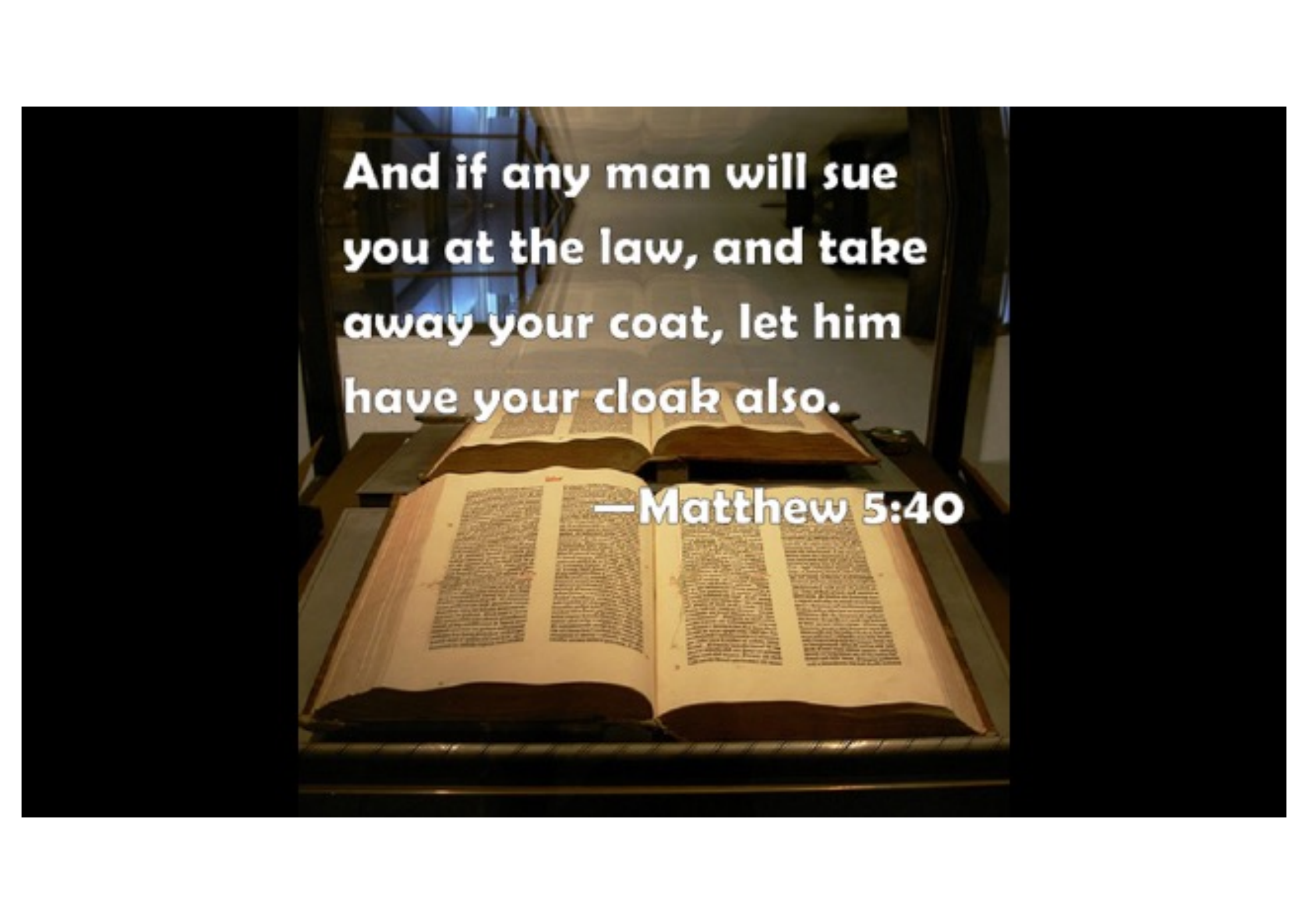




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An open Bible is placed on a wooden stand in a library or study. The Bible is open to two pages of text, and the text is overlaid with a quote from Matthew 5:40. The background shows a bookshelf and a window with a view of a building.

**And if any man will sue  
you at the law, and take  
away your coat, let him  
have your cloak also.**


**—Matthew 5:40**



**And whoever shall compel  
you to go a mile, go with  
him two.**

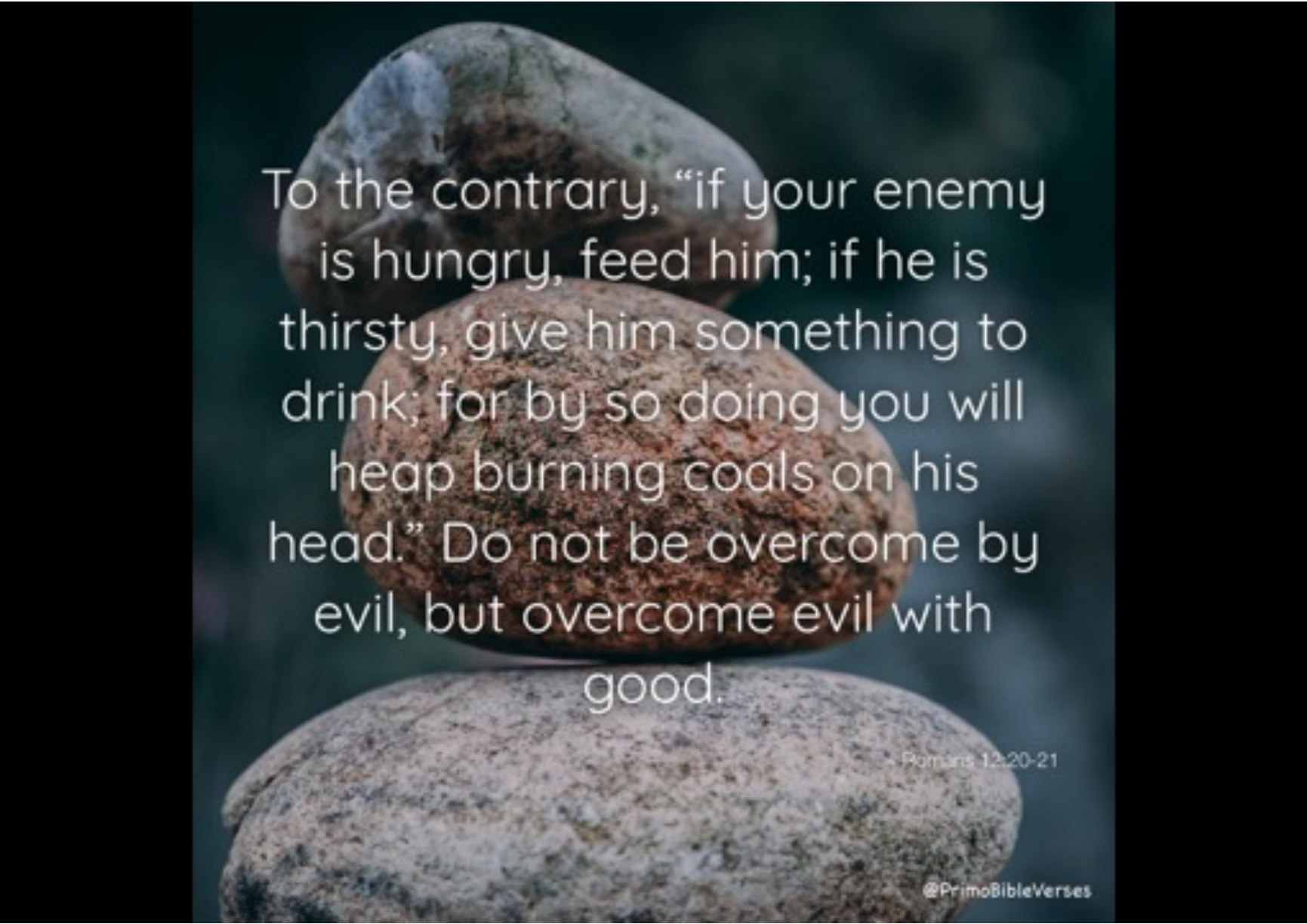
**—Matthew 5:41**



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Do not repay  
anyone evil for  
evil. Be careful to  
do what is right  
in the eyes of  
everybody. If it is  
possible, as far  
as it depends on  
you, live at peace  
with everyone.

- Romans 12:17-18 -



To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

~ Romans 12:20-21

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## ***1 Peter 2:21-23 (NIV)***

<sup>21</sup> To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup> "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." <sup>23</sup> When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

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# 3. Persuasion



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## 1 Corinthians 6:9,10

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.



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Hebrews 10:26

For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,



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Hebrews 10:38

but my righteous one shall live by faith,  
and if he shrinks back,  
my soul has no pleasure in him.



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## 1 Corinthians 6:11

And such were some of you.

But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.



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Can non-Christians sue us?



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Can we sue non-Christians?



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Can a group of Christians/church sue  
another group of Christians/church?



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Is the civil legal system wrong?



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What about abuse / criminal cases?



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