

Tough Statements From Jesus (2)

- Luke 14:25-33 -

- A. Of all the people you know and are close to, what would be the percentage of those who do not follow Jesus??
10%, 20%, 75%?
- B. We might not understand why anyone would not want to be spiritual, love God, and get ready for heaven. The _____ we have to make spiritually are not easy. Loving Jesus means taking a cross. _____ is not without a cost...
- C. Those who are followers of Jesus need to demonstrate their sincerity (v.28-30). Following Jesus is a tough choice (v.26). Do we want to be all Jesus wants us to be? Do we hear what He says?

1. " _____ " (Mt 5:38-42)

- A. Love comes easy for several, hate comes easier for others, but when are we when it come to evil?
- B. Does the spirit of _____ come easier than the spirit of _____ ?
- C. Vengeance is an _____ which hurts us more than actually doing something to get even with another...
- D. What did Jesus do? **1 Pet 2:22,23; Jn 18:19-23**
- E. _____ is not our business, it is the _____ (Rom 12:18,19). A Christian has a duty toward evil - resist it (1 Tim 6:12; Jas 4:7). "*Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good*" (Rom 12:21)...
- F. Retaliation - Refuse to play the game everyone else plays...

2. _____ (Matthew 6:12-15)

- A. What makes forgiveness tough is
1. *The* _____
 2. *Our* _____ *of forgiveness*...
 - (a) Is it _____ ? God (Heb 8:12; Isa 38:17)
 - (b) Is it _____ ?
 - (c) Is it resolved by _____ ?
- B. Lessons in **Matthew 18**. Forgiveness is....
1. *Being Like* _____ (v.1-4)
 2. *Realize the* _____ *of Something* _____ (v. 10-14)
 3. *Restoring to a* _____ (v.15-17)
 4. *Extended as Often as* _____ (v.21-35)