



# VALLEY REAL LIFE

Summer on the Mount | Anger, Revenge, and Enemies

## **Last Week**

How did you apply last week's lesson on being Salt & Light? Who did you share the lesson with?

## **Opener**

What is your greatest pet peeve that causes you to get awkwardly mad?

## **Questions**

Pastor Kelly said, "The desire for revenge is a cruel master, it will steal every good thing from you." What do you think this means? Have you ever known anyone consumed by revenge? What does it do to them?

Why do you think Jesus focuses on what happens in our heart vs our actions physically?

When you think of our country's culture today, which of the three (Anger, Revenge, or Enemies) strikes you as an area of deep concern for Christians? Have you seen Christians exhibit words or actions of Anger, Revenge, or Enemies, that left you surprised? What does this teach us about the importance of Jesus's message on this topic?

In Matthew 5:39, when Jesus suggests we offer our other cheek, what does this tell us about the power of our choices and the responsibility that comes with our freedom in Christ?

Were any of the teachings on Anger, Revenge, or Enemies difficult for you to hear and can you share?

## **Scripture Discovery:**

Have yourself, another group member, or all group members read the following Scripture out loud

Romans 3:21-22 (NLT)

*But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago. We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.*

- What does this passage tell us about God?
- What does this passage tell us about people?
- How do you need to apply this passage to your life?
- And who are you going to tell?

Pray