

Matthew 5:43-6:4

1. What's important to you? Why?
2. Who was Jesus talking to? What was He saying was *really* important?
3. How can we love others and bless those who persecute us? Is this easy?
4. What happens when we pray for those who persecute us?
5. How does being religious lead to self-righteousness?
6. Where does your time, resources and attention go? Who is at the center of *your* universe?
7. Where is our focus supposed to be? What distracts us from keeping our focus on Jesus?
8. Why is it so hard to love someone you don't like or is "different"?
9. How can we hate evil but love the person? How can focusing on eternal salvation help us keep a proper perspective?
10. In chapter 6, what does Jesus mean about doing good deeds publicly?
11. What motivates you to give of yourself?
12. Are we doing what's "required" or is it because "we get to"? What should our attitude be?
13. How can this become a way of life? What do you do when the "have to" attitudes *creep in*?
14. Why is love the most important thing? How did Jesus model this?