Sometimes You Got to Take Your Enemy By Surprise!

(Matthew 5:39) But I say unto you, that ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

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People read this verse, and think God is telling them to be passive -- to overlook what happened. That is not a bad thing -- but it isn't exactly what Jesus was saying. Turning the other cheek is not about being passive. It's about being active! So active that it actually confounds your enemy! Turning the other cheek is about taking an action so revolutionary, so shocking, so out of the ordinary that it shocks everyone around. It confounds the world -- and can also change it!

Do you truly want to overcome evil? So stop sulking about it, stop dwelling on it and stop doing nothing about it! Take a most unexpected action of surprising love -- because that is what Jesus did for us.....and it changed our lives, didn't it?

Has someone hurt you or sinned against you? Those things happen and they always will because of our sinful human nature. But now -- turn that into an action of love!

Let's make a habit of surprising those who hurt us! It may radically change lives, especially our own, "Get Saved & Stay Saved!"



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