

# MEAN PEOPLE

...AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT THEM

## Part 2: Beyond Even

If you repay evil for evil, you will write a pretty predictable story. But there's a way to write a remarkable one instead.

### Discussion Questions

1. Can you think of a time someone talked you out of getting even with someone? What happened?
2. **Read 1 Samuel 25:23–27**, where Abigail brings provisions to David and his men in an effort to keep David from attacking. What stands out to you about how she approached the situation?
3. **Read Luke 6:27–28**. What stands out to you? Does it seem too difficult to apply when it comes to a current situation?
4. Think of a situation where someone is being mean to you. What's something kind you can do in response? What's the most likely outcome if you do something kind? What's the most likely outcome if you don't? How might doing something kind help you, even if the situation stays the same?

**Do you want to be even with someone you don't even like?  
Wouldn't you rather be ahead?  
What story do you want to tell?  
What would it look like to return good for evil?**

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