

Small Group Questions: Reactions/Part 1

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Read

Matthew 5:38-42

Reflect

Have you ever overreacted to something? If you're human, your answer is probably yes. In this week's message, Pastor Josh Surratt says it's easier to act like Christians than react like Christians, and he explores how Jesus instructs his followers to react.

1. Reactions reveal what's on the inside.

- a. What typically triggers a strong reaction in you?
- b. What might these reactions reveal about what's in your heart?
- c. How do you react to others' success? What do you think this reveals?

2. Reactions have a ripple effect.

- a. How do your reactions affect the people around you?
- b. Are these effects positive or negative?
- c. Are there any effects that you'd like to change?

3. Reactions are an opportunity to stand out.

- a. What if we were true Christ followers who stood on our convictions and beliefs and also reacted in a way that points people to Jesus?
- b. Does any aspect of this message feel impossible to you? How can we pray for you?

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?