

**Life Jesus Style**  
**Radical Love Over Revenge**  
**Matthew 5:38-42**

**Introduction**

Hatfields vs McCoy's

There is something deep in the human psyche that demands justice.

We have become obsessed with our rights.

**I. The Principle of Mosaic Law Vs.38**

A. Exodus 21:22-25, Lev. 21:22-25, Deut. 19:21

B. Purpose of the law.

1. Curtail further crimes - deterrent
2. Prevent excessive punishment based on personal vengeance.

**II. The Perversion of Rabbinic Tradition**

A. Lowered the standard to meet their needs.

**III. The Perspective of Divine Truth Vs.39-42**

A. Resist not evil

B. Four basic human rights to illustrate love over revenge.

1. Dignity Vs.39b
2. Security Vs.40
3. Liberty Vs.41
4. Property Vs.42

**Conclusion**

**Radical Love Over Revenge Says**

I have no Rights to

Dignity

Security

Liberty

Property

Love does what's best for the other person!