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WHAT THE BIBLE SHOULD HAVE SAID!

It is an unfortunate fact that what the Bible teaches and what we Christians actually do are often very different things. This column, the first of an educational series, attempts to make us look at how we act by re-writing the biblical text as we might have written it ourselves if we had been left to it! Other examples would be welcome.

Matthew ch5 vv 38—42 (adapted):

You have heard that it was said, "Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth." But I tell you, do not resist an evil person, unless he is a Russian, in which case you need to let him know he can't attack God's people without being annihilated. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, you'd be a fool not to call the police. And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, he'll be doing it to everyone if you let him get away with it. If someone forces you to go one mile, negotiate with him so you go half a mile each. Give to the one who asks you, provided he's not one of those workshy miners, and do not turn away from one who wants to borrow from you if his credit is good***