

# HOW TO BECOME A MASTER STRATEGIST

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(Matthew 5:38-42)

In order to become a master strategist you must understand the concept of "**CONTRAST**." If you want people to see things your way you must understand **CONTRAST**. If you want to be victorious over your enemies you must understand **CONTRAST**. If you want to win a hostile argument you must understand **CONTRAST**. People who are master strategist always do what is contrary, **NOT** what is predictable.

THE CONCEPT OF CONTRAST IS GIVING YOUR ENEMY WHAT IS UNLIKELY!

JESUS IS A MASTER STRATEGIST

Matthew 5:38-42

Have you ever heard of the phrase, "*An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth?*" This statement originated in the Old Testament of the Holy Bible in Exodus 21:24. This is a phrase that was indicative to war. In Matthew 5:38-39 Jesus **ALLEVIATES** this notation.

Most people do not understand why Jesus alleviated this notion. Jesus statement of turning the other cheek was **NOT** a statement of weakness. It was a statement of strategy. Matthew 5:39 tells us not to stand up against an evil person. Jesus said, "*If someone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other cheek also.*"

Jesus knows how an adversary thinks. The only way to defeat an adversary is to attack them with the **ELEMENT OF SURPRISE**. The element of surprise is giving your adversary the most **UNLIKELY** response to their attack. Turning the other cheek is a **METAPHOR** that Jesus used to help us understand how to become a master strategist. If your enemy slaps you they will be **EXPECTING** you to retaliate.

If you decide to retaliate to their attack you are falling into their trap. Turning the other cheek will throw the enemy off course. When Jesus told you to turn the other cheek, He was teaching you how to **DISARM** the enemy. By turning the other cheek you are **DISARMING** the enemy of his attack because you are giving him **CONTRARY** to what he expected.

By turning the other cheek you are **CONFUSING** the enemy with the **ELEMENT OF SURPRISE**. When you disarm the enemy by giving him what is **CONTRARY**, you dismantle his plan against you. Jesus is not teaching you to be weak. He is teaching you how to become a **MASTER STRATEGIST**.

He is showing you how to be victorious in battle. The goal of creating a strategy is not to win the battle, it is to confuse the enemy. The military does **NOT** formulate a strategy so they can win the war. They devise a strategy to **CONFUSE** the enemy. Confusing the enemy will cause

them to win the war. Winning the battle is the **RESULT** of creating a masterful strategy.

## CONSISTENT WINNING

When you learn how to become a master strategist you will win every debate. You'll be victorious in every battle and you will disarm the enemy of every attack launched against you. Giving your opponent or enemy what is **UNLIKELY** will always **CONFUSE** them, while giving you the edge.

You will face new challenges from different opponents every day of your life. These opponents may be people, institutions, the government, etc. If you remember this Wisdom key you will always be victorious. "A MASTER STRATEGIST FOCUSES ON CONFUSING HIS OPPONENT SO HE CAN DEFEAT HIM."

## HERE'S AN EXAMPLE ON HOW TO STRATEGIZE AGAINST THE ENEMY

- If you want to defeat a powerful adversary use your faith, not your strength. David defeated Goliath with his faith. Goliath thought that David was going to fight him with his strength, which is why he took him for granted. David defeated Goliath with an **UNLIKELY** weapon. He used a slingshot and his faith. Goliath did not know how to defend himself against David's faith because he **NEVER EXPECTED** it.

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