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DISCUSSION GUIDE

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W A R M U P

Matthew recorded the words of Jesus in chapter eleven when Jesus said, “The kingdom of God suffers violence and the violent take it by force!” What is the revelation of this Scripture for God’s elect? How is the Kingdom of heaven taken by violence or subjected to violence (Matthew 11:12)?

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Matthew 11:12-19

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- See Luke 20:9-19. How is that reflected in Matt. 11:12?
- In what sense was John ‘Elijah’ (Matthew 11:14, Luke 1:17)? What does that mean? What does verse 15 demand of us, who state that we are disciples of Christ?
- Jesus says people of His day are like children (Matthew 11:16). In some places He uses children as a positive example of child-like faith. Here He uses them as a negative example. What could be some of the negative aspects of child’s response to faith?
- What criticism did John the Baptist receive? Why? (11:18) What frequent charge was leveled at Jesus? Why? (11:19) What was found in both the ministry of John and Jesus?
- What were the people’s inconsistent judgments concerning Jesus and John? What does this say to you about being critical of others?

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