“Love Your Enemies”

(Luke 6:27-36)

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Introduction

Who are my enemies?

A. What does loving our enemies look like?

1. Do them good

2. Bless those who curse you

3. Pray for them

4. Die to ourselves

5. Treat them as you would want to be treated

6. Be kind

7. Show mercy

B. What are some motivations to love our enemies?

1. Our reward in heaven

2. It demonstrates we are in fact children of God

Application Questions:

Am I living at peace with all men as much as depends on me?

Am I quarrelsome and striving or patient and able to teach, trusting in God's work of repentance?

Am I using soft words which turn away wrath or harsh words that stir up strife?

Am I functioning more out of the flesh than the Spirit?

Am I trusting God to do justly?

Goal and Prayer:

Lord, develop righteousness within me and make even my enemies to be at peace with me.

For Further Study

"Christian Ethics: An Introduction to Biblical Moral Ethics"
by Wayne Grudem