



Our Enemies

lessons from the mouth of Jesus
July 10 & 11, 2010

Grow at Home

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Who are some people in your life that you would consider "enemies"? (mean, annoying, hurtful, disagree, etc.) Who are some people you have a hard time loving?

After this weekends sermon, what are you going to start doing to love your enemies?

Greatest Commandment: (Matthew 22:37-40)

The Passage: How do I _____ my _____? (Matthew 5:38-48)

1. Do _____!
(Matthew 5:38-42, Romans 12:17-21, Proverbs 25:21-22)

God's plan is not to _____ them _____ but _____ them over!

2. Remember _____ ≠ _____.
(1 Corinthians 13:1-8)

~ Love-

3. _____!! (Matthew 5:44, James 5:16)

Challenge: Don't let _____ or _____ stop you from striving to be _____ Jesus. You can love _____ and love your _____!

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2. What is Jesus saying here? What does this have to do with the 10 Commandments (and the rest of the Law) and what we learned about anger, lust and loving our enemies?

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3. What does this verse say? How can we sometimes see only rules and miss what God wants from our heart? How does this relate to what Jesus is saying in the Sermon on the Mount thus far (Matt. 5:21-48)?

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