

Sermon Questions

The Debt of Love
Romans 12:14–21
Pastor Jeff Hinds

CONNECT:

- If someone commits an egregious error or sin, how does our culture deal with that? Any thoughts as to why?

GROW:

- For some context, read Deuteronomy 32:35-36. What key things do we learn here about vengeance? Now read Matthew 5:43-48. How does loving enemies imitate God? How does it set one apart from the world? Why is that important?
- Read Romans 12:14-21. What different phrases do you see there that essentially have to do with loving enemies?
- Have you ever been on the receiving end of grace from another human being? Describe that experience
- While it is supremely hard for us to love our enemies and to do good to those who have misused or misjudged us, what foundation (see Romans 5:6, 8, 10) does Scripture give us for doing so? What things does this passage of Scripture say about you? How does keeping this in mind impact the way we view the offenses of others against us?
- Why is it important to not only not take revenge on someone, but to actively and thoughtfully love that person? Any strategies for doing this?
- Does it make a difference to you that God will set right every wrong and vindicate His people (see 1 Peter 2:24)? Please explain how that helps you when someone has wronged you

GO:

- What can you do daily to keep the gospel front and center? Who is someone in your life who is difficult to love? What is one practical way you can love that person this week

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