

The Sermon on the Mount
Love Your Enemies; Matthew 5:38-48

Matthew 5:43-45 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 “Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.”

Leviticus 19:17-18 “You shall not hate your fellow countryman in your heart; you may surely reprove your neighbor, but shall not incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people but...

Leviticus 19:18 ...you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am the Lord.”

Matthew 22:35-36 One of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”

Matthew 22:37-40 And He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.”

Luke 10:27-28 And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And He said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this and you will live.”

Luke 10:29 But wishing to justify himself, he said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Luke 10:36-37 Which of these three do you think proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell into the robbers’ hands?” And he said, “The one who showed mercy toward him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do the same.”

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Matthew 5:46-47 “For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? If you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?”

Matthew 5:48 "Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Leviticus 19:2 Speak to all the congregation of the sons of Israel and say to them, 'You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

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