

“Jesus is Better: How Could I Ever Love My Enemies?” (Part 3)  
 Luke 6:27-36

*Are you overwhelmed with God’s love towards you? Are you in awe that God has forgiven all your sins? Are you humbled that He has saved you as others remain unsaved? Are you stunned that He does so much good towards you despite you still regularly sinning against Him? Are you thankful that He is always faithful towards you despite your unfaithfulness? If not, loving your enemies will seem impossible.*

*“When the world looks at us, do they believe our treasure is in eternity or on the earth? Do we look satisfied with the things of this world or do we look dissatisfied with what this world has to offer?” (cf. Matthew 6:19-21)*

*“Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may **present everyone mature in Christ**. For this I toil, struggling with all His energy that He powerfully works within me.”  
 (Colossians 1:28-29)*

- You will suffer for love: Luke 6:27-31
  - *“To one who strikes you on the cheek”*: The Christian will at times be insulted and humiliated for loving God. Keep doing it.
  - *“From one who takes away your cloak”*: The tunic served as a blanket at night and was a mark of comfort. The Christian will at times lose their comfort for loving God. Keep doing it.
  - *“Give to everyone who begs from you”*: Christians never lose anything when they give to someone in the Name of Christ. As a Christian your generosity may not be recognized. Keep doing it.
  - *“From one who takes away your goods do not demand them back”*: “Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after these things, and your heavenly Father knows you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” (Matthew 6:31-33)
  - **Romans 8:16-18; 2 Timothy 1:8; 1 Peter 4:13-14**
- Live for eternal reward by living like you are saved: Luke 6:32-36
  - Eternal life looks like **loving** those who don’t love you!
  - Eternal life looks like **doing good** to those who don’t do good to you.
  - Eternal life looks like **generosity**, not worldly gain.
  - Eternal life looks like **living for eternity**.
    - Matthew 19:27-30
    - 2 Corinthians 5:19-20
    - 1 Corinthians 3:11-15
- Three Suggestions to Be Ready to Love Your Enemies:
  - **Give** away as much as you possibly can for Jesus.
  - **Grow** as much as you possibly can for Jesus.
  - Share the **Gospel** as much as you possibly can for Jesus.
  - No more **Causalness** or **Passivity**.
    - **It will all cost you greatly!**

**Announcements:**

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of March we are collecting monetary donations for the Bobbs. They are a missionary family living and serving in Cambodia, spreading the gospel and meeting the physical needs of the people in their surrounding areas. For more information about the Bobbs and their work in Cambodia, please see the board at the back of the sanctuary. There is a container on the back table to collect your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for the Bobbs.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch *TODAY* immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!

★**ANNIVERSARY SERVICE:** We will be celebrating our 7th anniversary as a church on Sunday, March 24th. This is a great opportunity to invite someone to join you for church that day, to hear the gospel and to celebrate with us!

★**EASTER SERVICE:** We will be having a Good Friday Service on Friday, March 29th, at 6:30pm. (There will be no Thursday service that week). Our Easter Service will be on Sunday, March 31st, at 10:30am. *There will be no childcare for the Easter Service.* These are both great opportunities to invite someone to hear the gospel as we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

★**LEGACY PRACTICUM:** NEW COURSE: Old Testament Synthesis (Survey) will be starting TOMORROW, Monday, March 11th – April 29th, this is an Eight Week Course with 24 Lecture Hours. Old Testament Synthesis: An Old Testament survey Bible study is a type of Bible study that covers the main themes, events, and characters of the Old Testament, which consists of the first 39 books of the Bible. It is a way of getting an overview of the historical and theological background of the Old Testament, as well as its connection to the New Testament and the Christian faith. An Old Testament survey Bible study can help you understand the context and purpose of each book, as well as the major teachings and prophecies that are relevant for today. If interested let Elder Richard know so we can prepare a Syllabus.