

LET'S LOVE LIKE JESUS

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Matthew 5:43 "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." (NIV)

This is not possible, unless _____.

Matthew 23:25-26

Romans 5:8-10

To love like Jesus, _____.

Genesis 1:27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. (NIV)

To love my enemies, _____.

When I love my enemies, _____!

Luke 6:27 "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you...³⁵ But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked." (NIV)