

**“Love your
enemies, do
good to
those who
hate you”**



Luke 6:27

**Three kinds
of love with
no heavenly
credit**



1. Loving those who love us

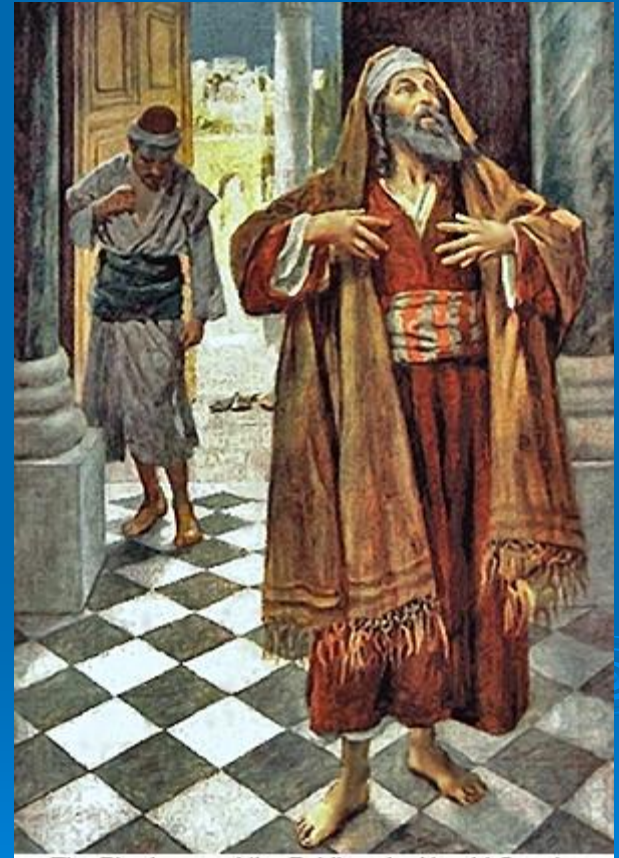
- “But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them”

Luke 6:32



2. Loving God and hating my brother

- “If someone says, ‘I love God,’ and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?” *1 John 4:20*



3. Loving God but not keeping His commandment

- “My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.”

1 John 3:18

- “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word”

John 14:23



Three myths about loving my enemy



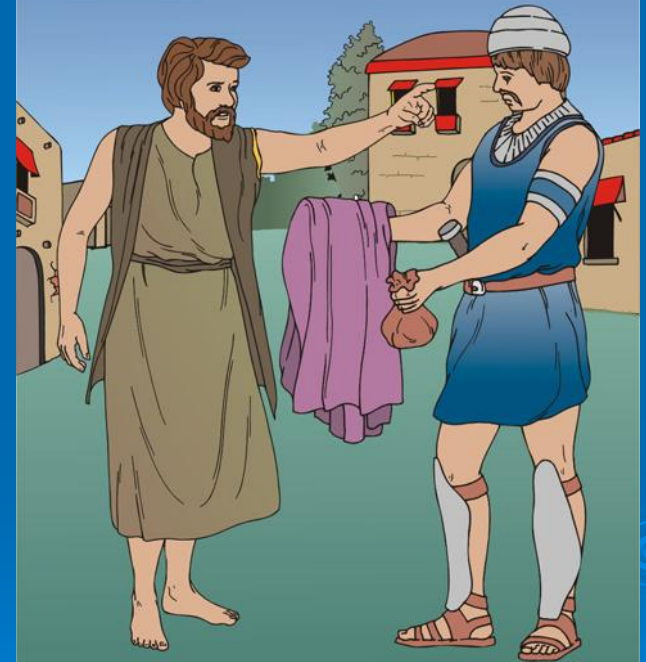
Three myths about loving my enemy

1. It is a sign of weakness and surrender!
2. It is about feelings and emotions!
3. It is not applicable



Three ways to love my enemy

Love Your
Enemy



Matt. 5:43-48

1. Not returning evil for evil

- “Repay no one evil for evil.... Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath ”
Romans 12:17, 19



2. Pray for them

- “Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you”

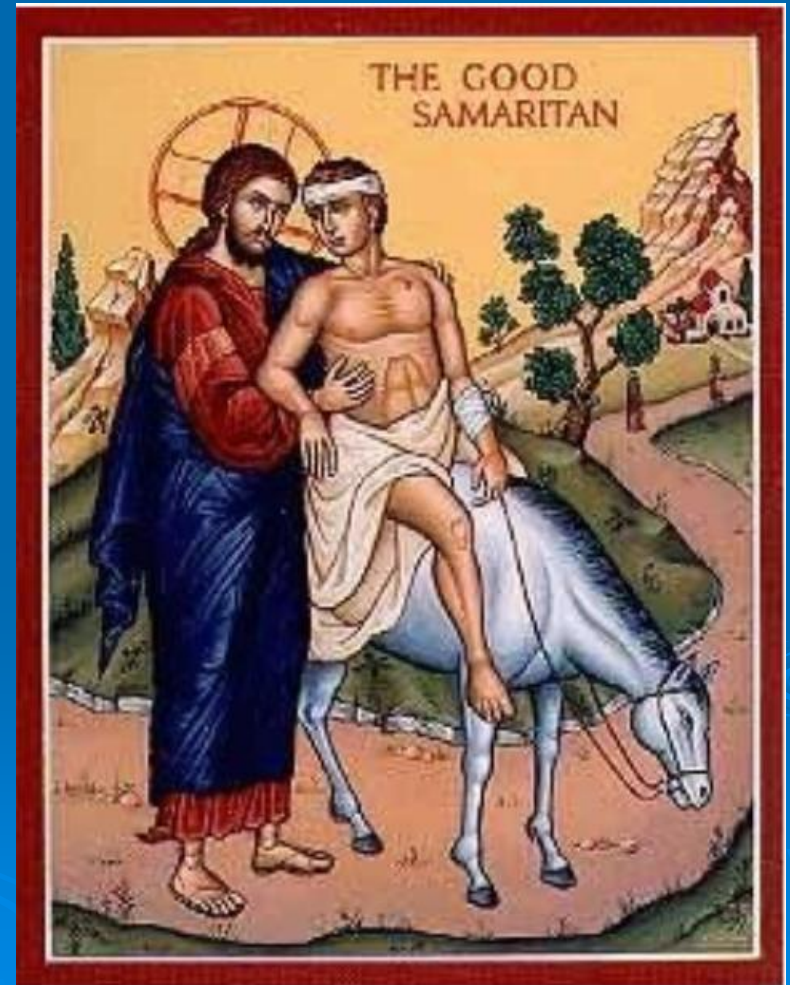
Luke 6:28



3. Serve him when he is in need

- “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink.”

Romans 12:20



Three motives to love my enemy



1. By this we become like our Father

- “...and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil”

Luke 6:35



2. Because our reward is from Him

- “But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great” *Luke 6:35*



3. Because love never fails

- “Cast your bread upon the waters, For you will find it after many days.”

Ecclesiastes 11:1

