

# The Final Step: Blessing Your Enemies

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## **Luke 6:27-36**

**27** *But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,*

**28** *bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you.*

**29** *To him who strikes you on the one cheek, offer the other also. And from him who takes away your cloak, do not withhold your tunic either.*

**30** *Give to everyone who asks of you. And from him who takes away your goods do not ask them back.*

**31** *And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.*

**32** *But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.*

**33** *And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.*

**34** *And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back.*

**35** *But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.*

**36** *Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.*

**LETTER A:** \_\_\_\_\_ **the world** \_\_\_\_\_ **us about human relationships is** \_\_\_\_\_.

Why should we live this radical way?

**ANSWER #1:** You will receive a \_\_\_\_\_.

**ANSWER #2:** You will \_\_\_\_\_ that you are a true  
\_\_\_\_\_ of God.

**LETTER B:** Far too many folks are trying to get to \_\_\_\_\_ on  
\_\_\_\_\_ own terms—not on \_\_\_\_\_ terms.

**LETTER C:** Who are my enemies? In the broadest sense, an enemy is  
\_\_\_\_\_ who turns \_\_\_\_\_ me.

**Matthew 10:35-36**

**35** *For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law';*

**36** *and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.*

**LETTER D:** Three categories: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_. That's where most of our \_\_\_\_\_ will be  
found.

**MAIN POINT:** This is the \_\_\_\_\_ step in forgiveness. We have not \_\_\_\_\_ forgiven \_\_\_\_\_ we can \_\_\_\_\_ those who have hurt us so deeply.

Suggestions on Loving our Enemies:

**SUGGESTION #1:** \_\_\_\_\_ them.

**SUGGESTION #2:** \_\_\_\_\_ them.

**SUGGESTION #3:** \_\_\_\_\_ to Them.

**SUGGESTION #4:** \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ evil of them.

**Proverbs 18:21**

**21** *The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit. (NIV)*

**SUGGESTION #5:** \_\_\_\_\_ for them.

**SUGGESTION #6:** \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

**SUGGESTION #7: ASK God to** \_\_\_\_\_ **them.**

*“You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good”* (Genesis 50:20  
ESV).