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Matthew 5:1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set (seated), his disciples came unto him:

This chapter is better known as the sermon on the mountain or the Beatitudes. Jesus fame had spread and many was hearing about this new preacher that not only taught the word in authority, but he also demonstrated the power of God by healing the sick, opening blinded eyes, healing various diseases and those that were tormented by devils. There was such a multitude a synagogue wouldn't hold the people he ministered too. He preached to the people from a mountaintop. Christ preached His sermon which was an exposition of the law upon a mountain, because upon a mountain the law was given, but observe the difference: when the law was given, the Lord came down upon the mountain, now the Lord went up; then, he spoke in thunder and lightning; now, in a still small voice: then the people were ordered to keep their distance, now they are invited to draw near.

Matthew 5:2 - And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

After Jesus position Himself He begin to teach His followers. Christ begins His sermon with blessings, for He came into the world to bless us. Jesus preached and taught the word, preaching gives an individual

motivation, hope, encouragement whereas teaching, teaches them the word of God and how to obtain the promises of God by living according to the word of God. Every church that is a follower of Christ should be following Jesus example. It's not about denomination, it's by faith in Jesus Christ and the word of God.

Matthew Chapter 5:3 - Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those that are poor in the spirit to be contentedly poor, willing to be empty of worldly wealth if God order that to be our lot. Many are poor in the world, but rich in the spirit. We should be humble and lowly in our eyes. To be poor in spirit is to think and believe as little children in our opinion of ourselves. Theirs is the kingdom of heaven. The kingdom of glory is prepared for them. The humble mind and yielding soul obtain the glory of the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew Chapter 5:4 - Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.

There is a sinful mourning, which is an enemy to blessedness, the sorrow of the world. A penitential mourning for sins (godly sorrow). A sympathizing mourning for the afflictions of others. Those that mourn who live a life of repentance who mourn for the sins of others. Those that weep, lament, bewail, and grieve for others shall be comforted, now and hereafter. There is mourning for lost souls and mourning when one has lost a love one. In either state God will comfort us and through our comforting we comfort others.

Matthew Chapter 5:5 - Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.

The meek are those who quietly submit themselves to God; and are gentle towards all men. One that can bear provocation without being inflamed by it

is either silent or return as a soft answer. One that can be cool when others are hot; and in their patience keep possession of their own souls. When they can scarcely keep possession of anything else. They are meek, who would rather forgive twenty injuries than to revenge one. Meekness is one of the fruits of the Spirit. (**Galatians 5:23**)

Matthew Chapter 5:6 - Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteous for they shall be filled.

Those that hunger and thirst after righteousness are those that have committed themselves to serving God. They are persistent and consistent in reading and studying the word of God. They are devoted in prayer and fasting. Attending order of church service. Praying, fasting, reading the word without the preacher telling them to. When there is a thirst after God one will go after Him with all they have. It's never to late or to early to pray. Fasting for others would be considered a privilege. Hunger and thirst for God is a deep desire to please God in every area of our lives and we desire to have a closer relationship with Him.

Matthew Chapter 5:7 - Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy.

The merciful are not taken to be the wisest nor are likely to be the richest; yet Christ pronounces them blessed. We must not only bear our afflictions, but we must by Christian sympathy, partake of the afflictions of our brethren. According to **Psalms 41:1**. Merciful is to be kind, compassionate to others.

Those that show themselves merciful, shall receive mercy from God in their time of need.

Matthew Chapter 5:8 - Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

True Christianity lies in the heart, in the purity of the heart. The heart must be kept pure from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. Their lives have been transformed by the grace of God. They aren't yet sinless, but their possessions before God have been changed. They have been born again (**John 3:5; John 4:24; Luke 7:21; 2nd Corinthians 5:17**)

Matthew Chapter 5:9 - Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children (sons) of God.

Peacemakers are those who have a peaceable disposition. It is a love, and desire and delight in peace. Peacemakers have peace with God and live and desire to follow peace with all men. (**Hebrews 12:14**)

Matthew Chapter 5:10 - Blessed are they, which are persecuted for righteousness sake for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

All those that will live godly shall suffer persecution (**2nd Timothy 3:12**) Believers are ridiculed, mocked, some would say we are brainwashed others say we are fanatics. We are lied on, talked about. Our meekness is taken for weakness. Rejected by co-workers, friends, family, and spouse. Through it all if we continue in Christ we shall live with Christ in His kingdom. Because if we suffer with Him, we shall also reign with Him. (**2nd Timothy 2:12**)

Matthew Chapter 5:11 - Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake.

Jesus has warned us as well as the Apostles that as a Christian we shall be

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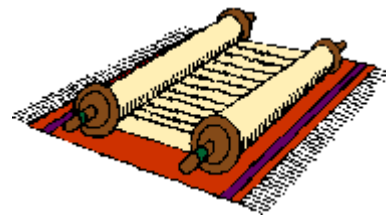
persecuted. If you notice in verse 10 He stated we would be persecuted and reiterated it in verse 11. So He is letting us know there is no way we can escape from being persecuted. This is why He has told us to put on the whole armor of God that we may stand in holiness when Satan comes against us through people. We must keep in mind that it's not the individual that is persecuting us, but the spirit of Satan in the individual that's doing the persecuting. Just as God anoints and appoints us, Satan also anoints and appoints his people. But through it all we must endure until the end. Don't let Satan turn you from the promises of God. Well, God has given us a promise of blessings as well as curses. **(Deuteronomy Chapter 28; Deuteronomy Chapter 29)**. Both of these are promises receiving the goodness of God or the wrath of God. The choice is ours.

Matthew Chapter 5:12 - Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Jesus is not saying rejoice because we are being mistreated, but to rejoice because just as Jesus was persecuted so are we which is telling us that we must be pleasing God and if we are pleasing God we shall reap if we faint not. It also let us know no matter what is going on in our lives that God is always worthy to be glorified and magnified. Just as they persecuted the prophets they will also persecute us. The saints of old were not only persecuted verbally, but they were physically beaten and thrown in

lions dens and beheaded, boiled in oil, finger nails pulled from off their fingers because of what they stood for. Anytime you stand for the things of God Satan is going to come against you, but you must always remember we are more than conquerors through Christ Jesus. **(Romans 8:37)**

Matthew Chapter 5:13 - Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt have lost his savor (flavor) wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and be trodden under foot of men.



Jesus said we are the salt of the earth. Every one that is professing Christianity should be the salt of the earth. Salt is a preservative it keeps meat fresh and reserves it from spoiling quickly. The doctrine of the gospel is as salt, it is penetrating, and it reaches the heart. It is cleansing, it is relishing and preserves putrefaction. An everlasting covenant **(Numbers 18:19)** As Christians our light should shine to the point that sinners would be able to see a difference in our attitude and our character. Christians should walk in the light whereas sinners walk in darkness. The light of the Christian should shine wherever they are whether it's at church, home, school or our place of employment. Just as we characterize our natural parents; we should have the character of our Heavenly Father as well as our spiritual parents (apostles, pastor, teacher, evangelist, prophet). That is why it is so important to make sure that the person ministering to you is a precept and example of the word they teach. Anyone can preach or teach the Bible intellectually, but can they live by what they teach. Secondly it also depends whether or not the individual has been

called to preach or teach. Once you can live by what you teach or preach that is when the anointing will come to destroy the yoke of bondage off the lives of God's people. We are the salt of the earth and we must preserve ourselves for God usage.

Matthew Chapter 5:15 - Neither do men light a candle (lamp), and put it under a bushel (basket), but on a candlestick (lamp stand); and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Many Christians are hiding their true identity of Christianity because they're afraid of what people may think or say about them. Jesus said if we deny Him before man, He would deny us before His Father. It doesn't matter what people think of us. Jesus was rejected, lied on, talked about and they will do us the same way. We should be more concerned about what Jesus thinks about us rather than man. Since they did it to Jesus what make us think they will not do us the same way. I would rather suffer with Christ and reign with him rather than wonder about what people think of me and my Christian walk with the Lord.

Matthew Chapter 5:16 - Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

When we walk according to the word of God, we're showing what God has done in us. There is no way one could walk in love, peace, joy, happiness, longsuffering, slow to anger, turn the other cheek when someone has cursed us out or forgive those that has wrong

us. Speak the truth instead of lying. When people see us living our lives as the Bible has instructed us to do so they will know that it must be God that enables man to walk according to what they see in us. Our biggest testimony is our life style!

Matthew Chapter 5:17 - Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

The rule, which Christ came, agreed exactly with the scriptures of the Old Testament. He protested against the thought of canceling and weakening the Old Testament. Having laid the foundation of the message in the summary statements of the Beatitudes, Jesus now proceeds to show the superiority of His message to that of the Law of Moses. The Old Testament is the beginning of the New Testament and the Old Testament is a manifestation of what was going to be.

Matthew Chapter 5:18 - For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Jesus was informing them no matter what they saw or heard what was spoken by God would come to pass. When God promised Abraham that he would be the father of many because God couldn't swear by anything greater, He swore by Himself. The promise that was given to Abraham is also given to us. We too can be spiritual fathers and mothers of many when we walk according to the word of God and our calling. Whatever God said shall come to pass whether we accept it or not. With the recent attack on the United States many people lost their lives and since then there has been wars overseas and many lost their lives, but the word of God has already informed us these things shall come to pass. We can't pray against what He has told us will come. What we should be doing is pray that people will repent of their sins

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and seek Him while He can be found. God is not going to continue to plead with man to repent of their sins.

Matthew Chapter 5:19 - Whosoever therefore shall break one of these lest commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

We're held responsible for what we teach others. We will receive blessings when we teach men to follow the commandments of God and we will receive a curse when we teach men to go against the word of God. Ministers that are marrying homosexuals and saying this is from God will have to answer to God for their disobedience to the word of God. Ministers that are fully aware that their ministers or those that are holding difference office is practicing sin willfully will have to answer to God. We can't teach any other doctrine, but the doctrine of Jesus Christ, and not only teach it, but we must follow the instructions of the teaching with ourselves as well as others if we're in leadership.

Matthew 5:20 - For I say unto you. That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

The scribes and Pharisees were teachers and scholars of the law. Although they taught the law they didn't live by the law they taught. They aimed at the

praise and applause of men, but we must aim at the acceptance of God. We must excel beyond and above the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees. They were concerned about the cleaning of the outside whereas God wants us to be cleaned inside.

Matthew 5:21 -Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shall not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment.

We shall not kill physically or spiritually. Many of God's people have been murdered because of anger, jealousy and envy. One of the reasons Jesus was murdered by those that were in leadership was because they were jealous and envied Him. They didn't want Him receiving the prompts He received. They murdered Him with their tongues prior to them murdering Him physically. They murdered Him by speaking evil and wicked statements about Him. Many of us have had people to lie and bastardize our name, but continue to walk in the Spirit of God and not fulfill the desires of the flesh. Let them lie on you, let them hate you. As long as you're walking in obedience and love God don't worry about what people think and say about you. No weapon formed against you shall prosper and every tongue that rises up against you shall be brought to judgment.

Matthew 5:22 - But I say unto you. That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca (worthless) shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

If we're angry with our brothers including sisters without a reason we shall be in judgment. We are instructed to be angry and sin not (Ephesians 4:26) Jesus himself was angry when he seen the hardness of men's heart. We should always have a meek and quiet spirit. We should always walk before God and

man humble in heart and in mind. We shouldn't look down on others because of what we know or have. We should always walk in a spirit of encouragement, ready to always encourage others.

Matthew 5:23 - Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath an ought against thee;

When we go before the altar of God in our hearts we must search our hearts and see if we have offended one of God's people by our attitudes, emotions or character. If we offend one by telling them the truth in love then so be it. But if we offend them by our fleshly attitudes, emotions, character and our theology then we have to answer to God. We know when we have mistreated someone or have talk to them harsh. We should always search ourselves to see whether or not we have offended someone or if we have sinned. As Christians we should keep a repenting heart because we never know if we have offended someone or have sinned.

Matthew 5:24 - Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

God does not want us coming into His presence when we know we have wrong someone. If we have a disagreement with someone then we should try to reconcile our relationship before we try to go into the presence of God. There are those that no matter what you do or say they will not accept your apology, but that will be

between them and God when you have done your part. Broken relationships can hinder our relationship with God when we don't try to reconcile the relationship.

Matthew 5:25 - Agree with thine adversary quickly, while thou art in the way with him; least at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

It's hard for us as Christians sometimes to agree with people when we know they have wronged us, but through the help of God we can hold a conversation with them without holding grudges or have any ill feelings towards them. If they are in need of help we can help them without thinking about what they have said or done towards us. A sure way to know if we have forgiven someone is to pay attention to how we feel inwardly when they come into our presence or how we feel when their names are mention. If we don't react inwardly or outwardly we will know for sure that we have forgiven the individual. Many times Christians are suffering from sickness and disease because they haven't forgiven an individual. Many are suffering from depression and suppression because they haven't forgiven. We have to ask God to help us to forgive those that has wronged us.

Matthew 5:26 - Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou has paid the uttermost farthing.

We will receive what we have given. If we be merciful to those that has wrong us as well as being merciful in general when we have need of mercy God will let it be given to us. We should ask God to help us to forgive those that have wronged us just as we want Him to forgive us our sins. We don't want anyone or anything to hinder our relationship with God. Holding grudges and anger will hinder our relationship

with God as well as have different types of sickness and diseases.. Whatever we owe someone whether its money, property, love, compassion or mercy we shall give it to them as Christians if we want to be in good standings with God.

Matthew 5:27 - Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not commit adultery was the demand of the Old Testament Law. Jesus goes beyond this outward command to reveal that its act is the result of an inner attitude of lust. *(Matthew 15:18-19 But those which proceed out of the mouth comes from the heart; and thy defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, theft, false witness, and blasphemies).* Before an act is committed it must first be thought about then after the person continue to think about it is when the act is committed.

Matthew 5:28 - But I say unto you, that whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

Jesus is warning us to watch our thoughts. He's not telling us that a man shouldn't look at a woman or woman shouldn't look at a man. God has made us with the desire to want the opposite sex, but when we begin to undress them in our thoughts and imagining what we could be doing with them and what it would feel like then we have already committed adultery in our hearts. This is what has caused many to commit the act of masturbation and

pornography because of the lust in their hearts for what they were looking at. This is why Jesus is saying if a man looks at a woman with lust in his heart then he has committed adultery, its all about what's happening in the heart of the individual while their looking at the opposite sex.

Matthew 5:29 - And if thy right eye offend (cause you to sin) thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

The lust of the eye is what caused Eve to sin against God and then she influenced her husband to do the same thing. If we know we have trouble with our eyes then we need to guard our eyes with diligent. Be cautious of what we're looking at. What we see is what causes us to sin against God. Many Christians watch soap operas every day and then they try to mimic what they seen on the television. Our teenager is becoming pregnant because of what they see. Many marriages have been destroyed because of what we see. People of God we must beware of what we're watching. We must guard our eyes as well as our hearts!

Matthew 5:30 - And if thy right hand offend (cause you to sin) thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should cast into hell.

Jesus is warning us if any of our hands is causing us to sin then we need to get rid of it. We can enter into heaven missing a hand, but we can't enter into heaven with sin. Through the Grace of God we can restrain our members from sinning if we have a willing heart. We must want to walk according to the word of God in order for God to give us the Grace to walk accordingly.

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Matthew 5:31 - It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement.

Jesus referring to the Old Testament of the Mosaic commandments (*It hath been said*). The normal custom of the ancient Near East was for a man to verbally divorce his wife.

Matthew 5:32 - But I say unto you, that whosoever shall put away his wife saving for the cause of fornication causes her to commit adultery; and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced commiteth adultery.

Jesus was telling them whoever divorced his wife without biblical basis caused her to commit adultery. Fornication or adultery was a cause for the husband to get a divorce. One could not commit fornication if they were already married so when fornication was mentioned it was for those that was given in marriage that supposed to have been virgins, but after marriage found to have been sexual active prior to their marriage. According to the Mosaic Law if a man and woman was found committing adultery they both were killed. (**Leviticus 20:10**) If a woman committed a sexual act with someone other than her husband she would be cursed, her thigh would rot and her stomach would swell (Numbers 5:15-27) No where in the bible does God authorize us to get a divorce. If we can't get along with our mate we should separate and if anyway possible be reconcile to our spouse if it's not an abusive marriage.

Matthew 5:33 - Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time. Thou shalt not

forswear thyself, but shall perform unto the Lord thine oaths.

To forswear means to swear falsely or perjure oneself. Oaths taken in the name of the Lord were looked upon as binding, and perjury of such oaths were strongly condemned by the law. When Jesus came on the scene the disciples then and now have been taught not to swear at all (**James 5:12**).

Matthew 5:34 - But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne.

Jesus has warned us not to swear at all. We have nothing to swear by all belongs to God. God's word says, "Let your yea, be yea and your nay be nay meaning yes or no. Swearing will cause us to be in disobedient to the word of God.

Matthew 5:35 - Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool; neither by Jerusalem for it is the city of the great king.

Neither shall we swear by the earth. The earth is the Lord's; so that in swearing by it we swear by its Owner. Neither shall we swear by Jerusalem for it is a place, for which the Jews had such veneration, that they could not speak of anything more sacred to swear by. It is the city of the great King (the city of God -Psalm 48:2) therefore; He is interested in it and by every oath taken by it.

Matthew 5:36 - Neither shall thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.

Our heads belong to God; it has been bought with a price. If we swear by the head, we swear by Him who is the Life of the head and the Lifter up of it (**Psalm 3:3**).

Matthew 5:37 - But let your communication (words) be Yea, yea; nay, nay; for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil (from the evil one).

If one has to swear then they aren't walking according to the word of God. Either they haven't taken the time to read and study the word of God or they haven't been converted. Peter begin to swear and curse when they asked him if he knew Jesus and although he knew Him, walked with Him, touched Him, he swore that he didn't know him. If we find ourselves thinking we have to swear, we need to pray and ask God what spirit is influencing us to disobey the word of God. We should already know that if were swearing it's not the Spirit of God, but of Satan.

Matthew 5:38 - Ye have heard that it hath been said, an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto, that ye resist not evil (an evil person) but whosoever shall smite (slap) thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

Jesus is not telling us that we shouldn't defend for our families or our country, but we should not take personal vengeance. Many times you hear Christians say when someone has mistreated them in some way that they will lay their religion down and pick it back up. We can't lay our religion down and pick it up. Either we're going to walk in faith by the word of God or we're going to walk according the principles of Satan. God 's Son told us to love our enemies and to pray for them that despitefully misuse us. He already knew that people would mistreat us because of our righteousness in God, but He didn't tell us to fight physically.

Matthew 5:40 - And if any will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat (tunic), let him have thy cloak also.

Whether robbed by personal assault or compulsory litigation, the believer is to respond with confidence in what is eternal rather than that, which is temporal. It wouldn't cost us as much to purchase another cloak as it would to pay the penalty by law for our misconduct. Not only will we have to pay by the law of the world, but we would also have a Spiritual law to pay by defying the word of God.

Matthew 5:41 - And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile go with him twain (two).

In ancient times government agents were in a position to compel forced service upon a slave or subjugated people. A Roman soldier could compel a Jewish native to carry his armor or material for a mile. Jesus now states if one compel us to go a mile to go two with them. We as Christians should go the extra mile for others especially for those that are seeking for the truth. Its not always easy to teach the truth to unbeliever or religious people, that is why we should ask for God's Grace to assist us to go an extra mile until the individual sees the truth and the truth shall make them free.

Matthew 5:42 -Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

When asked we should always be ready to give if we want to live according to the word of God. We don't have to worry about whether or not it will be returned to us by the individual, if we do as the Bible tells us we shall receive from God. We receive our rewards from God not man. Don't worry about if we think someone is making a fool out of us. When its time to stop if were in tune with the voice of God, He will let us know when its time to stop giving to the individual. God has never stopped giving to us and we can't earn His giving. We should do as our Father and He shall return to us as we follow His instructions.

Matthew 5:43 - Ye have heard that it hath been said; Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy.

The law was corrupted by the comments of the Jewish teachers. God has never told us to hate anyone. God is a God of love not hate, so why would one think that He would tell us to do something that He is against. Religion will make us error in the teaching and the doctrine of the word of God.

Matthew 5:44 - But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully (spitefully) use you, and persecute you.

God has instructed us by His Son to love those that we feel like we shouldn't love because of the way they have treated us. We should love them and release them to God and forgive them for what they have done to us. They belong to God just as much as we do. He created them the way He created us. Love them and forgive them. Forgiving them is not justifying, understanding or explaining why the person acted towards us as he or she did. Release them from your heart and spirit and go on with the Lord.

Matthew 5:45 - That you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

God is not a respecter of person. He will bless the evil just as He will bless the righteous. Why do you think there are millionaires

and many of them don't serve God nor do they believe in Him, but He blessed them to become rich, He blessed them to be born in a family of richness? Another god didn't create millionaires; it was God that gave them bountiful blessings. When He sends sunshine and rain to the earth its to bless the righteous as well as the evil. Many times ungodly people receive materialistic blessings because they follow the instructions of the Bible as far as giving although they don't follow the instructions for sanctification.

Matthew 5:46 - For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? Do not even the publicans (tax collector) the same?

It's humanitarian for us to do good to those that do good to us, but as Christians we must exceed the belief of the world. We must go an extra mile. We must love those that don't love us, do good to them that don't do well to us. Let them see the love of Jesus in us to love them, as we want God to love us.

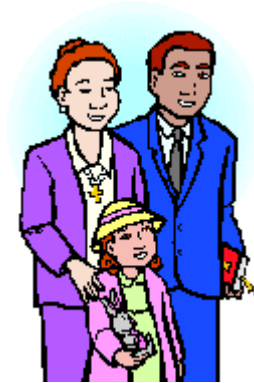
Matthew 5:47 - And if ye salute (greet) your brethern only, what do ye more than others? Do not even the publicans (tax collectors) so?

In order for us to receive the reward above those of the world, we must do more than the world Sinners are going to take care sinners they will fight for what they believe in. We must fight also in what we believe in. We have to fight our flesh when it tells us to fight against those that despitefully misuse us. The bible is not teaching us to accept abusive treatment. We must fight for our rights as a Christians because sometimes people think because your Christian they can say or do anything to you. We can stand our grounds without sinning against God.

Matthew 5:48 - Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father, which is in heaven, is perfect.

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It is our duty as a Christians to desire and aim at, and press towards perfection in grace and holiness. We take on the characteristic of our natural father; we should also take on the characteristic of our Heavenly Father. We should strive to do those things that would please our Father. Perfection also indicates loyalty to the one that you serve.



God bless you,
walk in victory!

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