

We Asked

Matthew 5:43-48
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Jesus is speaking:

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so? 48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

How does God feel about his enemies?

Romans 5:6-8
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6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Jesus further said:

Matthew 11:16-17
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16 "But to what shall I liken this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their companions, 17 and saying:

'We played the flute for you,
And you did not dance;
We mourned to you,
And you did not lament.
So we believers call out to the Non-believers to come and meet this GOD who saves, and does great things.'

Isaiah 59:2
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2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God;
And your sins have hidden His face from you,
So that He will not hear.

Romans 7:7
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7 What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, "You shall not covet." What law have you broken??

Acts 3:19
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19 Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,

Psalm 34:8
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8 Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good;
Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!
How is he good?

Psalm 32:1
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32 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,
Whose sin is covered.

How does that work?

1 John 1:9
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9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
The Law convicts us of sin and when we confess to God our sin in repentance, he is faithful and just to what?
forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
Again,

Psalm 32:1
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32 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,
Whose sin is covered.
But remember this warning because it is very important:

Matthew 6:14-15
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14 "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.
Therefore: