

CBC AT HOME JULY 25-26, 2020

THE DISCRIMINATING HEART—MATTHEW 5:43-48

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- We're finishing up a section on six negative examples of worldly vs. kingdom righteousness. Which particular example has been significant to you and why?
- When you consider your life, who are your "enemies"? Who are the ones you are supposed to love and pray for (v. 44)? Do you find that you lean into or away from these relationships? Why?
- How are you cultivating relationships with people that are outside the flock of God, so that you're not just loving "those who love you" or "greet[ing] only your brothers [and sisters in Christ]" (vv. 46-47)?
- What does it mean that you are to "be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect" (v. 48)? How does the tension between striving for holiness and resting in the finished work of Christ play into this?
- Sermon key question: How do kingdom people love others without discrimination?

NEW KINGDOM LIVING

JESUS' LIFE IN OURS

FAMILY QUESTIONS

- Identify one of your "enemies" this week (as an individual or as a family). Who is it? How can you show tangible love to them and/or pray for them this week (v. 44)?
- What does it mean if/when you don't love your enemies and/or pray for them (hint: v. 45)?
- Why does Jesus say we need to be perfect? (v. 48) Is that even possible? What does he mean when he says this?

SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:7-8 (ESV)

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

All Creatures of Our God and King

Build My Life

https://youtu.be/hhycl4h64_s
<https://youtu.be/BGYpF-Jrfew>

CROSS REFERENCES FOR REFLECTION

Leviticus 19:18
Matthew 19:16-22
Luke 6:32-36
Romans 5:10
Ephesians 5:1
Philippians 2:14-16

