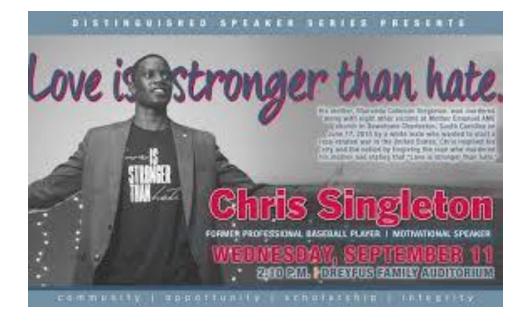


# I forgive him









## How do we deal with our enemies?

- David's Rise
- Saul's Demise
- David and Saul's Family
  - Jonathan and David
  - Michal and David

# Envy - Jealousy

A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh, but envy makes the bones rot.

-Proverbs 14:30

One more connection between David and Jesus: Psalm 41:9

John 13:18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.'

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Where is quality control? (V. 24)

## 1 Samuel 19 – Read aloud

Questions?

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#### Psalm 59

To the choirmaster: according to Do Not Destroy. A Miktam of David, when Saul sent men to watch his house in order to kill him.

- Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; protect me from those who rise up against me;
- 2 deliver me from those who work evil, and save me from bloodthirsty men.
- 3 For behold, they lie in wait for my life; fierce men stir up strife against me.
- For no transgression or sin of mine, O Lord,
- 4 for no fault of mine, they run and make ready.
- Awake, come to meet me, and see!
- 5 You, Lord God of hosts, are God of Israel.
- Rouse yourself to punish all the nations; spare none of those who treacherously plot evil. Selah

- 6 Each evening they come back, howling like dogs and prowling about the city.
- 7 There they are, bellowing with their mouths with swords in their lips—
  for "Who," they think, "will hear us?"
- 8 But you, O Lord, laugh at them; you hold all the nations in derision.
- 9 O my Strength, I will watch for you, for you, O God, are my fortress.
- 10 My God in his steadfast love will meet me; God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

- 11 Kill them not, lest my people forget;make them totter by your power and bring them down,O Lord, our shield!
- 12 For the sin of their mouths, the words of their lips, let them be trapped in their pride.

For the cursing and lies that they utter,

13 consume them in wrath;
consume them till they are no more,
that they may know that God rules over Jacob
to the ends of the earth. Selah

- 14 Each evening they come back, howling like dogs
  - and prowling about the city.
- 15 They wander about for food and growl if they do not get their fill.
- <sup>16</sup> But I will sing of your strength;
  I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning.
- For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress.
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The key is *Hesed*.

What about my enemies?

Psalm 59 – Romans 12 – Matthew 5

Romans 12:14-21 (St. Paul)

Matthew 5:43-49 (Jesus)

#### Romans 12:14-21

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. 17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." 20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

## Matthew 5:43-48

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 and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is 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 do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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How? Hesed

# The Steadfast Love of the Lord Never Ceases -Lamentations 3:22-23

The Steadfast Love Of The Lord Never Ceases,
His Mercies Never Come To An End,
They Are New Every Morning, New Every Morning
Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Oh Lord)
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

