



Sermon Notes / Outline

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BUCKLE UP, Week 7 BLESS YOUR ENEMIES

"Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse." Romans 12:14 (NIV)

The desire for revenge destroys me _____
because it is sinful, willful _____ to God.

"But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' do that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked." Luke 6:27-28, 31-35 (GNT)

When I _____ my enemies instead of
_____ them, my reward will be _____.

Who is currently making your life miserable? _____

"Do not repay anyone evil for evil." Romans 12:17a (NIV)

When I refuse to pay evil for evil, I break the cycle of pain
and I allow God's _____ and _____ to
prevail.

"Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone." Romans 12:17b (NIV)

People are _____ me.

"If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."
Romans 12:18 (NIV)

Refuse to pick up the _____.

"Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: It is mine to avenge; I will repay, says the Lord." Romans 12:19 (NIV)

When I insist on handling it, I choose my way instead of
God's way, and I demonstrate a lack of _____.

"On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."
Romans 12:20 (NIV)

God calls me to show _____ and _____ to
those who've wronged me.

Acts of kindness toward your enemies not only honor
God, but they disrupt the cycle of _____ and
_____.

Good wins over evil. I win — and the Kingdom wins —
when I _____.