

Kind to the Ungrateful and Wicked

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Luke 6:27-36

Love Your Enemies

Radical, Counter-Cultural Idea!

Not a Picture of an Ideal Future – Not needed then!

A Picture of a Possible Present – What could this do to our world?

The God Jesus Knows

He is kind to the ungrateful and wicked (Luke 6:35)

Our Project – Jesus' picture of God

This Passage – Jesus' instructions and Jesus' picture of God

How God Treats Us

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Rom 5:8)

Jesus' Picture Trumps all Other Pictures

Reading the OT

Helps: Setting, Literary Form, Whole Story

When uncertain: The God Jesus Knows

The Cross – Ultimate Snapshot

How We Treat Others

Our Picture of God and Our Behaviour

We tend to act ... Like we believe God acts

Judgmental Christians – Usually believe in a judgmental God

Cross shaped Christians – How we are loved → Loving Others

It Works Both Ways

Seeing God's Love → Loving Others

Loving Others → Seeing God's Love