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## How to Love People You Don't Even Like —Matthew 5:38–48

Part 7 of a sermon series on “The Sermon on the Mount”

In Christ's Kingdom, loving people we don't even like,  
and who may even hate us, is the \_\_\_\_\_, not the \_\_\_\_\_.

To love people you don't even like...

A. \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 38–42)

1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 38–39)

When no one would blame you for \_\_\_\_\_ back.

2. Give \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 40–42)

When no one would blame you for \_\_\_\_\_ back.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 43–48)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ for Those \_\_\_\_\_ Really Don't Like (verses 43–44a)

Until it makes \_\_\_\_\_ very \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ for Those Who Really Don't Like \_\_\_\_\_

(verses 44b–48) Until it makes your \_\_\_\_\_ very \_\_\_\_\_.

Are you \_\_\_\_\_ people you don't \_\_\_\_\_ and may  
even \_\_\_\_\_ you?

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To love people you don't even like...

### A. Live Generously (verses 38–42)

1. Be Kind to the Unkind (verses 38–39)

*When no one would blame you for hitting back.*

2. Give More to the Takers (verses 40–42)

*When no one would blame you for holding back.*

### B. Love Radically (verses 43–48)

1. Care Deeply for Those You Really Don't Like (verses 43–44a)

*Until it makes you very uncomfortable.*

2. Pray Regularly for Those Who Really Don't Like You

*(verses 44b–48) Until it makes your love very uncommon.*

Are you loving people you don't like and may even  
hate you?