

## **“Building God’s Heart into CBC: Loving Others Part 2”**

Luke 6:27-36

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**If you are going to love those who are hard to love...**

**1. Have a clear picture of your sinfulness. (Luke 6:35, Matthew 7:1-5)**

**2. Reflect on the mercy, kindness and forgiveness God has extended to you. (Luke 6:36, Matthew 18:21-35)**

“I tell you, love your enemies. Help and give without expecting a return. You'll never—I promise—regret it. Live out this God-created identity the way our Father lives toward us, generously and graciously, even when we're at our worst. Our Father is kind; you be kind.”

Luke 6:35-36 (The Message)

**3. Recognize it is a work of the Spirit. (Galatians 5:22-24)**

**4. Let go of your hurt and trust God to bring justice. (Romans 12:19-21)**

“Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: ‘It is mine to avenge; I will repay,’ says the Lord. 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.’

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

Romans 12:19-21