

**“Jesus Correction About the Law” pt 6  
(That having to do with loving your neighbor)  
Matthew 5:43-49**

**I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ**  
A. The **Sermon** on the Mount

The purpose of the Sermon was to <b><u>instruct</u></b> those who believed on Christ as Messiah and to <b><u>condemn</u></b> those who had not yet done so.
Jesus raises the <b><u>level of righteousness</u></b> from a relative <b><u>human</u></b> standard to a <b><u>divine</u></b> standard
Jesus shows that mankind <b><u>cannot reach</u></b> this level of righteousness
For those who have accepted Jesus as the Messiah, it puts forth the righteous <b><u>principles</u></b> to be <b><u>employed</u></b> by faith as Jews until the kingdom is set up.
The sermon also contains <b><u>trans-dispensational principles</u></b> which are to be applied by faith for the believer <b><u>today</u></b>
Matthew 5:43-48 is the <b>sixth</b> of <b><u>six units</u></b> that begin " <i>You have heard that it was said, but I say to you</i> "

**1. Jesus mentions the Incorrect Teaching (5:43)**

a. The Pharisees taught that you should \_\_\_\_\_ your neighbor and \_\_\_\_\_ your enemy

\* How did the Jews define a “neighbor”?

\* Does the law teach anywhere that you are to hate your neighbor?

\* How did Jesus define a neighbor?

b. The scribes and Pharisees used God’s hatred for evil to allow for \_\_\_\_\_ against people.

**2. Jesus mentions the Divine Teaching (5:44-48)**

- Jesus’ message to the hearers is that you are to \_\_\_\_\_ your personal enemies.

\*What does loving your enemy look like?

- a. You are to \_\_\_\_\_ those who curse you & \_\_\_\_\_ to those who hate you
  
- b. You are to \_\_\_\_\_ for those who \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ you
  
- c. The basis for loving your enemies is \_\_\_\_\_
  
- d. When we love our enemies, we \_\_\_\_\_ that we are God's children.
  
- e. You are to love your enemies because God is \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  
- f. To emphasize the supernatural source of this love, Jesus offers a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ love with \_\_\_\_\_ love.
  
- g. Verse 48 serves as a \_\_\_\_\_ for the first part of this sermon.

\* What does this mean to you?