

Reflecting on "MERCY" on this stormy Sunday

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Scripture: Luke 6:27-38

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Jesus says, "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them."

In Jesus' world: An expectation of reciprocation, do good to another and expecting them to return that favour. Jesus' new rule (a vision of God's Kin-dom): Love and forgive even the person whom you would call an "enemy."

Implications:

1. This is risky stuff (ask Martin Luther King Jr!), but the recipient of the love might find healing;
2. The one who OFFERS love/mercy (us) might experience a deeper sense of love; and,
3. As we each show mercy towards "enemies" in our lives, we model for our world what God's kin-dom should look like.

Who might be loosely considered the "enemy" in your life? How can you love or forgive them this week?

