I CAN'T BELIEVE HE SAID THAT

...ABOUT THEM

Who are our enemies?

People who _____ us

Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also **Matthew 5:39** (NIV)

People who _____ us

If you are sued in court and your shirt is taken from you, give your coat, too. **Matthew 5:40** (NLT)

People who _____ us

If a soldier demands that you carry his gear for a mile, carry it two miles. **Matthew 5:41** (NLT)

People who _____ us

Pray for those who persecute you! **Matthew 5:44** (NLT)

People who _____ us

… bless those who curse you **Luke 6:28** (NIV)

What is the root of our wrong response to our enemies? _____

Why is this wrong?

It _____ Gods image

With our tongues we praise our Lord and Father. With our tongues we call down curses on people. We do it even though they have been created to be like God. Praise and cursing come out of the same mouth. My brothers and sisters, it shouldn't be that way. **James 3:9-10** (NIrV)

It _____ the workings of grace

For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. **Matthew 7:2** (NIV)

Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? **Matthew 7:3** (NIV)

It _____ relationships

How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? **Matthew 7:4** (NIV)

It _____ us

You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye **Matthew 7:5** (NIV)

It _____ his kingdom

If all you do is love the lovable, do you expect a bonus? Anybody can do that. If you simply say hello to those who greet you, do you expect a medal?

Matthew 5:46-47 (MSG)

How should we respond to our enemies?

1. We need to _____ our enemies.

"…love your enemies…" **Matthew 5:44** (NLT)

2. We need to _____ our enemies.

"…pray for the happiness of those who mistreat you." **Luke 6:28** (AMP)

3. We need to _____ our enemies.

"Even if he wrongs you seven times a day and each time turns again and asks forgiveness, forgive him." **Luke 17:4** (NLT)

4. We need to _____ our enemies.

"…be good to everyone who hates you." **Luke 6:27** (CEV)

5. We need to _____ our enemies.

… bless those who curse you **Luke 6:28** (NIV)

Additional Notes: