

# Our Merciful Heavenly Father

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*“But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. If someone strikes you on one cheek, turn to him the other also. If someone takes your cloak, do not stop him from taking your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even ‘sinners’ love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even ‘sinners’ do that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even ‘sinners’ lend to ‘sinners,’ expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”*

“The Golden Rule”.

There are many who say that this is how they live, but as you read these verses, did you notice all that is involved if you follow: “The Golden Rule”? Re-read the above given verses.

Are you ready to lay claim to the saying that you live by the Golden Rule?

Yet the Holy Scriptures tells us: *“For if, when **we were God’s enemies**, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through His life! Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have now received reconciliation.”* (Romans 5:10-11)

Jesus gave up His life for us on the Cross, without expecting anything in return. He has given us heaven as a free gift!