



Romans 12:17-21

Loving Your Enemies

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Justified by Faith



*"Therefore, having been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our
Lord Jesus Christ,"*

Romans 5:1 (NKJV)

**40 MESSAGES ON THE BOOK OF ROMANS
STARTING 3 JANUARY 2016**



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TOGETHER**

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Romans 12:17-19

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

Romans 12:20-21

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.

**Why did the boy throw
his clock out the window?**

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his clock out the window?**

To see if Time really flies

“Butterflies in my stomach” ??

**Did you hear about the man
who decided to call his toilet a
Jim instead of a John?**

*Mary ran to the John
because she had butterflies
in her stomach.*

Romans 12:20

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Romans 12:20 quotes from

Proverbs 25:21-22

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Romans 12:19

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by Victor Hugo

**Jean Valjean is an ex-prisoner
A bishop invites him for
dinner**

Constable to Valjean:

Tell his reverence your story.

Let us see if he's impressed

You were lodging there last night

You were the honest Bishop's guest.

And then, out of Christian goodness

When he learned about your plight

You maintain he made a present of this silver

Bishop: **That is right.**

Bishop to Valjean:

**But my friend you left so early
Surely something slipped your mind
You forgot I gave these also
Would you leave the best behind?**

Bishop to Constables:

**So Messieurs you may release him
For this man has spoken true
I commend you for your duty
Now God's blessing go with you.**

Bishop to Valjean:

**But remember this, my brother
See in this some higher plan
You must use this precious silver
To become an honest man.**

**By the witness of the martyrs
By the Passion and the Blood
God has raised you
out of darkness
I have bought your soul
for God!**

Valjean reflects:

**Yet why did I allow that man, to touch my
soul and teach me love?**

He treated me like any other

He gave me his trust,

He called me “brother”

Valjean reflects:

**My life he claims for God above. Can such
things be?**

**For I had come to hate the world, this
world that always hated me**

***“Take an eye for an eye,
turn your heart into stone”***

**This is all I have lived for,
this is all I have known.**

**One word from him and I'd be back,
beneath the lash upon the rack
Instead he offers me my freedom
I feel my shame inside me like a knife**

**He told me that I had a soul.
How does he know?
What Spirit comes
to move my life?**

Is there another way to go?

Befriended by the Enemy

Not by the Sword

***How a Cantor and His Family Transformed a
Klansman***

By Kathryn Watterson (1992)