

"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." **Galatians 6:10 KJV**

Some people are almost impossible to deal with! Paul instructed Timothy to *"Live peaceably with all men,"* but, of course, prefaced it with, *"as much as lieth in you."* Sometimes, the only good we can do for a person is to avoid them as much as possible. On the other hand, if we take the "high road," and begin to pray earnestly on their behalf, we might find God working on us. If we earnestly confessed and forsook our own faults, we might find ourselves more forgiving of another's.



The apostle Paul declared himself *"the chiefest of sinners."* If we examine ourselves in the light of the Scriptures, we will find ourselves in the same predicament. *"There is none good, no, not one!"* It is as if the writer anticipated an all-too-human "BUT," as he restates, "NO, NOT ONE!" This means me, too. Paul writes, *"For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do."* If sin doesn't vex you, you are not a child of God! If you are comfortable doing something that appears evil, you have sinned. *"Abstain from ALL appearance of evil."* Evil is anything against God's Word, and ignorance is no excuse! *"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the Truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are WITHOUT EXCUSE!"* Jesus gave His life a ransom for many. I read that God loves us, but not about Him liking or tolerating sin. God loves me in spite of what I do! *"While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."* If you examine person's motives and find them to be evil, remember, Jesus died for sinners and you were also once just as wicked at heart as the person doing you ill. The Truth will liberate them as it did you, so do not hesitate to give it. My desire is to help break the chains of sin that bind helpless souls in the turmoil of self gratification by proclaiming Truth unabashedly to all. Paul said, *"I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some."* When we start "disliking" a person we should remember how God acted when we were still His enemies. All creation bears a curse because of one man's sin. We should remember how, long in advance, God planned to forgive and rescue us; *"before the world began."* We should remember the greatest of sacrifices that paved our path to glory. We should remember that God could have just annihilated men, BUT...He didn't!! Jesus paid it all! *"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."* Jesus gave all that you might have all.

Doing good is quite a trial,
Walking just one extra mile,
But while the sun is on our dial,
Doing good will make God smile. ~CGP

We should forgive our brethren by the same Spirit of Love that patiently endured *"the contradiction of sinners against Himself."* In greatest agony at the hands of cruel sinners Jesus cried, *"Father, forgive them!"*

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16 KJV