

Greatness in the Kingdom



**HE HAS MADE US
A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS
FOR GOD HIS FATHER.**

**ALL GLORY AND POWER
TO HIM FOREVER AND
EVER! AMEN.**

REVELATION 1:6 | MEC | VERSE FOR 2012

**Kingdom
Character**
(Matt 5:1-12)

**Kingdom
Calling**
(Matt 5:13-16)

**Kingdom
Conduct**
(Matt 5:17-7:27)

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**... you have heard
it was said...**

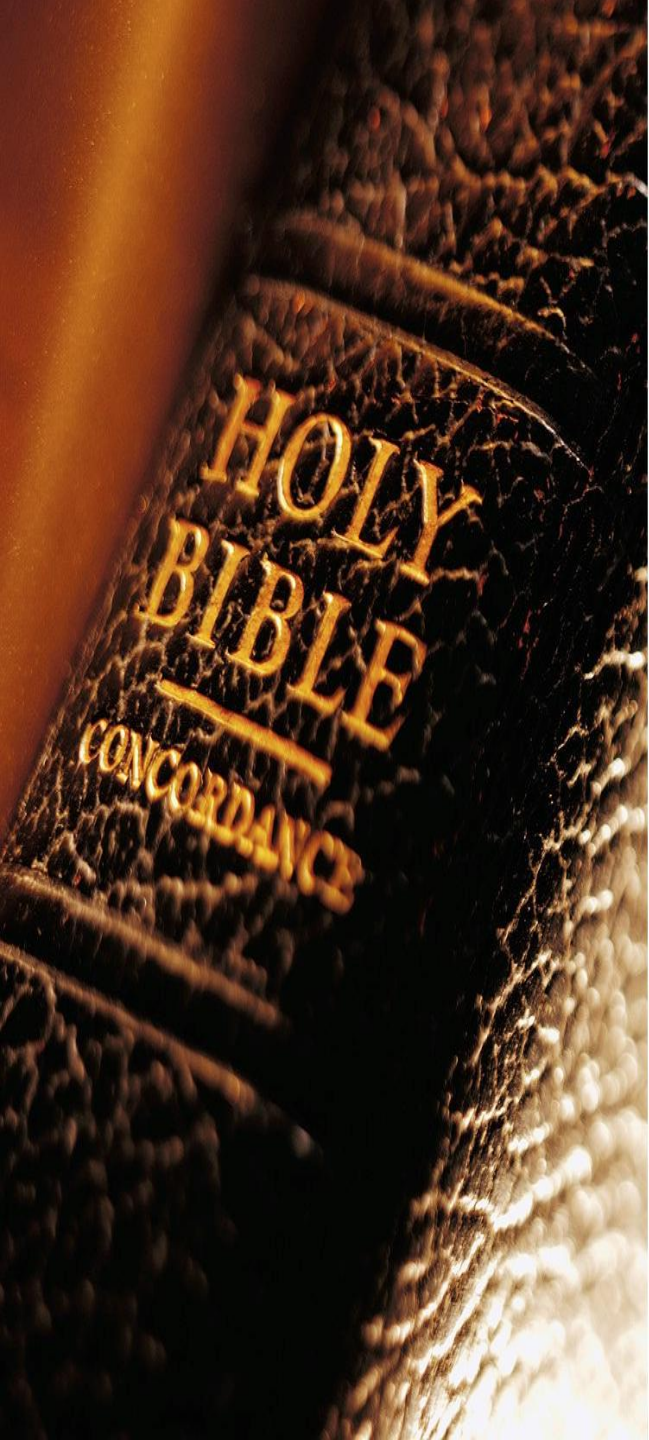


**... but I say
to you ...**



**... unless your righteousness exceeds that
of the Scribes and Pharisees ...**

(Matt. 5:20)

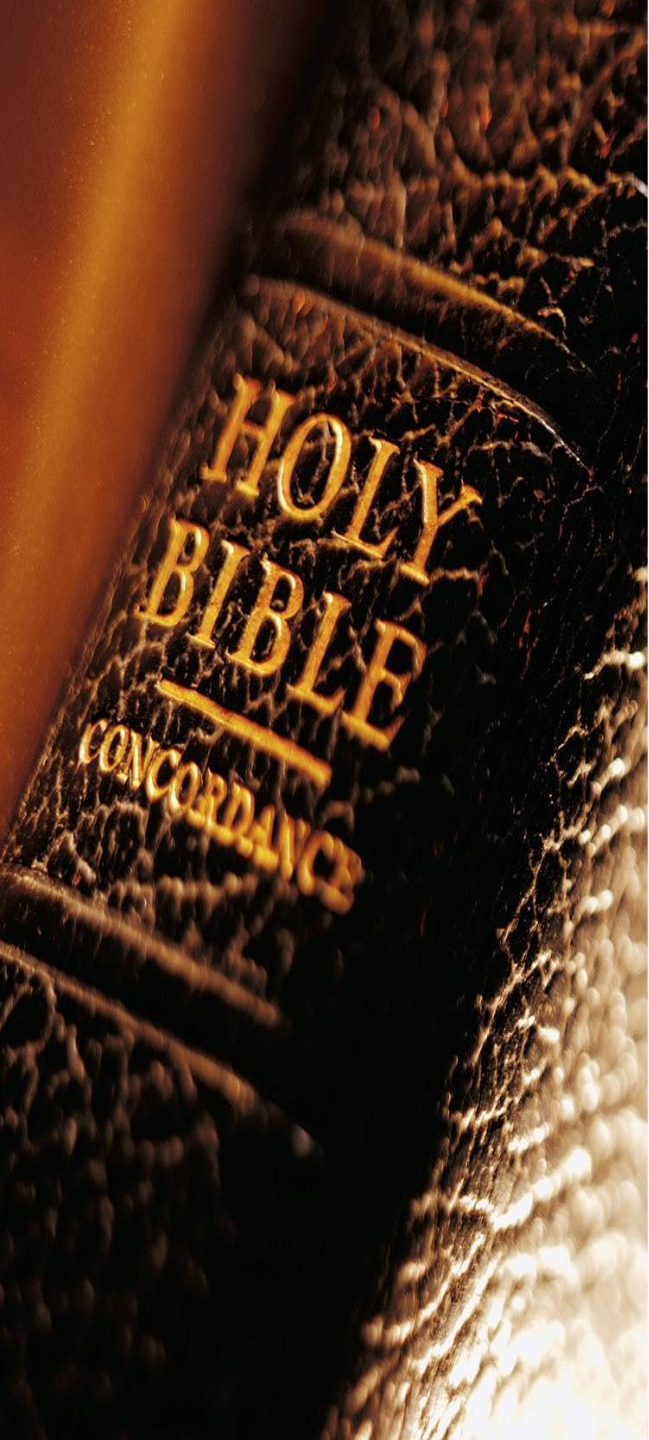


Matthew 5:43-48

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.'

⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

⁴⁵ so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.



Matthew 5:43-48

⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

⁴⁸ You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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Love your neighbour



and **hate** your enemy

You have heard that it was said ...
(Matt 5:43)

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Love your neighbour



and hate your **enemy**

You have heard that it was said ...
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**... love your
neighbour as
yourself.**

(Luke 10:27)

**... and who is my
neighbour?**

(Luke 10:29)

**... the despised
Samaritan!**

(Luke 10:33)

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

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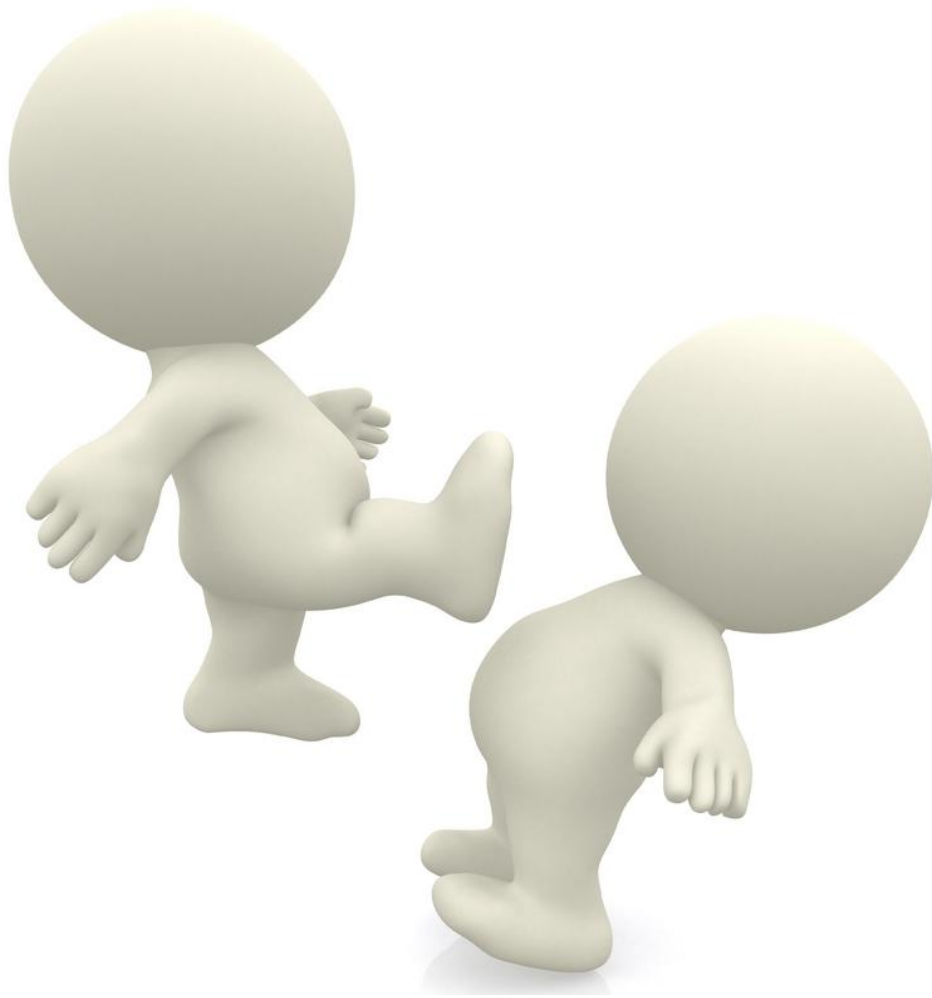
Love
your
enemies

and pray for those who persecute you

Matthew 5:44

... but I say to you ...
(Matthew 5:44)

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... and who is
my enemy?

hostile

ill treat

falsely accuse

spiteful

abusive

take advantage

... but I say to you, **love your enemies** ...

(Matthew 5:44)

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... but I say to you, **love your enemies** ...
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Loving enemies (Luke 6)

- do good (6:27,35)
- bless (6:28)
- pray (6:28)
- turn cheek (6:29)
- offer cloak (6:29)
- be generous (6:30,35)
- **second mile** (Matt 5:41)

Ask yourself what you want people to do for you; then **grab the initiative and do it for *them!*** (Luke 6:31)

... but I say to you, **love your enemies** ...
(Matthew 5:44)

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“heavenly Father-like”



... so that you may be **sons of your Father** ...
(Matthew 5:45)

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heavenly Father-like

♥ **Unprejudiced** (5:45)

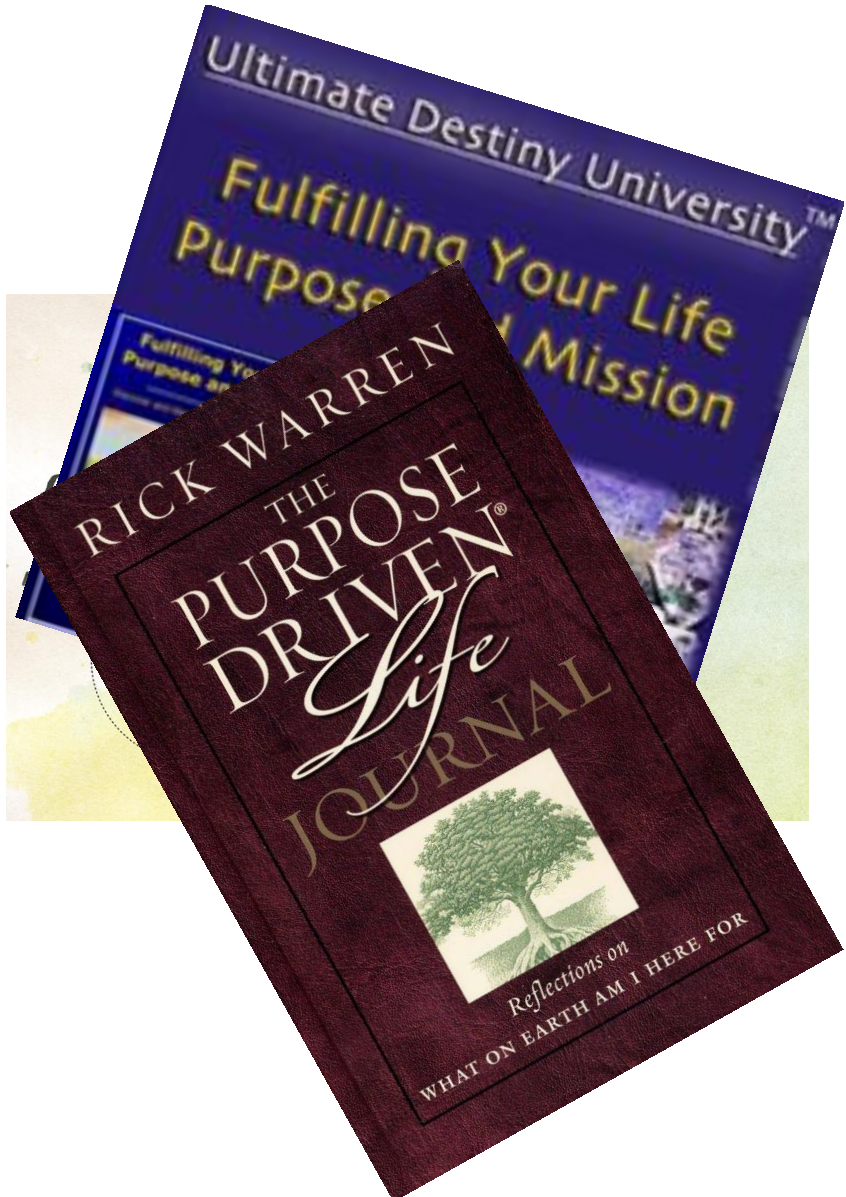
♥ **Unselfish** (5:45)

♥ **Unlimited** (5:47)

♥ **Unconditional** (5:46)

... so that you may be **sons of your Father** ...
(Matthew 5:45)

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**Be perfect as
your heavenly
Father is perfect**

(Matt 5:48)