

**Discussion Guide:** Disciples Become Like Their Masters, Part 1

Passage: Luke 6:27-36

**Summary:** As Jesus continues His teaching, He reveals what relationships look like in His kingdom. His kingdom people will love the way He has loved them, even their enemies. Because they have received God's love, active love for those against them will be the impulse of their hearts.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. The kind of love for enemies that Jesus' disciples display is counter to our cultural understanding of love. What's different?
- 2. Does "loving your enemy" mean saying "yes" to everything someone asks of you? How does "love that seeks the good of others" mean that you sometimes say "no" or draw boundaries?
- 3. Jesus says that those who love their enemies are sons and daughters of the Most High. How does our inclusion in God's family lead us to love those who are against us?
- 4. To love our enemies, we must become radically loving people and we won't see this transformation happen in us until we receive God's love for us. What's the difference between intellectually understanding God's love for you and actually receiving it and be changed by it? What are barriers in your life or story that inhibit you from receiving the Father's love for you?
- 5. Who is it hard for you to love? (Avoid gossip in sharing.) What might it look like to seek their good and actively love them?

Close your time praying together in light of your discussion.