

We Bear His Image

Lesson 4 – The Image and Love of Others

When we fail to _____ others, we are sinning against the _____ of God

Genesis 9:6; James 3:7-12

It follows that when we love others well, we are _____ his image rightly

and not bearing his name in _____ – **Exodus 20:7**

Loving Believers

Though sin has marred the image of God, sin has not _____ it

Though Christ has begun to _____ the image of God (**Romans 8:28-29**)

we will bear that image without any trace of _____ only when our redemption is _____

1 Corinthians 15:48-49

What does that necessarily imply? That our redemption is _____

2 Corinthians 3:18

How does this affect how we address the sins of fellow believers?

When we are addressing matters that are not _____, we have several obligations from **Romans 14**

- Do not _____ – **Verses 2-4, 10-13**
- _____ the one you consider weak in faith, but not to _____ – **Verses 1, 19**
- Give up your _____ for the sake of _____ – **Verses 15-16, 21**

Love is difficult to _____, which is why we are most often told to _____ it

Ephesians 5:25

John 13:34-35

1 John 4:7-21

But we know some of the things it _____ – **1 Corinthians 13**

The _____ answers the question: How far would God go to redeem _____?

How does viewing fellow believers in terms of what Christ has done for them change the way we treat them?

Loving Unbelievers

God created humanity in a much more _____ way than the rest of creation – **Genesis 2:7, 21-22**
and he continues to create even _____ humanity in the same way – **Psalm 139:13-14**

The _____ answers the question: what would God do when faced with _____?

- **Luke 19:1-10** – He would _____ sinners
- **John 4:7-26** – He would _____ sinners _____
- **Mark 1:40-45** – He would _____ the _____

What Jesus didn't do is judge based on _____

In fact, he often subverted the _____
1 Samuel 16:6-13; Luke 10:25-37

We make judgments based on outward appearances all the time

The problem is that the superficial judgments we make may go _____ than we realize

Why was Jonah angry? **Jonah 3:10-4:4**

Looking at someone and making a judgment is not the _____

It is often the _____ we make based on those judgments
that presents the bigger problem – **James 2:1-4, 10-11**

How does the doctrine of the image of God change how we look at any unbeliever?

Our ultimate mission remains _____ as that of Adam and Eve:

be _____, multiply, and _____ the earth with the image of God

by making _____ of all _____ – **Matthew 28:18-20**