

The next comparison between the Church and M*A*S*H is the need to do the _____ thing, even when you don't _____ like it.

Who are the people that you really don't like? And who are the ones that God wants you to reach out to? What would God have you to do, that you don't want to do?

Matt 25:31-46 - **31** "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. **32** All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. **33** He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. **34** "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' **37** "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' **40** "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' **41** "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. **42** For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, **43** I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' **44** "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' **45** "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' **46** "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

Luke 6:27-49 - **27** "But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, **28** bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. **29** If someone strikes you on one cheek, turn to him the other also. If someone takes your cloak, do not stop him from taking your tunic. **30** Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not

demand it back. **31** Do to others as you would have them do to you. **32** "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' love those who love them. **33** And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' do that. **34** And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. **35** But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. **36** Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. **37** "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. **38** Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." **39** He also told them this parable: "Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? **40** A student is not above his teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like his teacher. **41** "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? **42** How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,' when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. **43** "No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. **44** Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. **45** The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. **46** "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? **47** I will show you what he is like who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice. **48** He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. **49** But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."

Rom 3:23 - for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Rom 5:8 - But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Mon – First read Matthew 25:31-46. Then watch "Keith Green - The Sheep And The Goats (live)" on YouTube. Does Keith's presentation make the words hit a little closer to home? Thank God that He has come to us in the person of Jesus Christ. Ask Him to help you see Jesus in the people that you come into contact with each day.

Tue. – Read Luke 6:27-49. As you read, underline the verbs that you are told to do. Someone has said, "If I spent all of my time doing what the Bible told me to do, I wouldn't have to worry about the things it told me not to do." Ask God to help you do the things that please Him.

Wed. – Read Luke 6:43-45. What kind of fruit are you bearing for the Kingdom? What is your mouth saying? Thank God for the opportunity to produce fruit for Him. Ask Him to help you produce fruit in keeping with repentance.

Thu – Read Luke 6:46-49. Are you seeking to live a life that is truly pleasing to God? Is there evidence of a strong foundation in your life? If not, ask God to help you start laying that foundation right now. If you have it, thank God. And realize that WE are being built into a spiritual house. Read Eph 2:19-22, and thank God for what He is doing in your life. Ask Him who He would have you to be pouring your life into?

Fri – Read Rom 3:23. Spend time confessing the sin in your life, as you give God thanks for the forgiveness He blesses us with, in Christ. If you are continually struggling with feelings of guilt over past sins, read Rom 8:1, and thank Him that there is no condemnation for those in Christ.

Sat – Read Rom 5:8. Thank God that it was while we were still in sin and unworthy, that Christ died for us. Praise Him that though we cannot be worthy, He makes us worthy. Ask Him to show you those who are lost in this life, that He would have you share His love with. Pray that He will use you to touch those individuals with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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