

Sermon Title: **Therefore, Be Compassionate**

Sermon Text: Romans 12:19-20

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

At the heart of the gospel is God's love for us. So, at the heart of our lives should be love for him and for others.

Read Romans 12:9-16. What does genuine/sincere love look like (v.9)? Why does loving others mean hating what is evil?

What happens when we think loving someone means never opposing them? How does Ephesians 4:15 apply to this?

In verse 14, Paul could have said, "Don't persecute those who persecute you." What does he say instead? How is this more challenging?

Read Romans 12:17-21. The end of verse 20 is a picture of someone repenting. According to verse 19, what should we not do? What do verses 18 and 20 tell us we should do instead?

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Look at the list below and do a personal inventory. Ask yourself:

In which two of these am I weakest?

- Love people you don't naturally like with sincerity (v.9).
- Be willing to challenge evil (v.9)
- Love with dogged affection over the long haul, no matter what (v.10-12)
- Be generous with your home, money and time (v.13).
- Don't hold on to bitterness or resentment—instead, actively bless those who wrong you (v. 14)
- Be willing to be emotionally involved with others (v.15).
- Be humble, willing to associate with people who are different from you (v.16).
- Seek peace in difficult relationships, and avoid revenge if wronged (v.18-21).

Where will I need to use these gifts next (where will I next be tested)?

What practical steps can I take to strengthen myself in these two areas?