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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Talking Points Week 3

ICE-BREAKER:

Do Christians have enemies? If so, how should we relate to them?

DISCUSS:

In your personal attempt to be right, when have you forgotten to be kind?

READ: **Luke 6:27-36**

Why was Jesus so critical of conditional love?

Which of Jesus' commands do you think goes most against human nature?

What does it take for a person to live the way Jesus described here?

What is realistic or unrealistic about the kind of love Jesus wants us to show?

READ: *"For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us."* - **Ephesians 2:14 (NLT2)**

Do you think what Paul is talking about here could happen in America today?

APPLY:

"Love your enemy...Bless those who curse you...Do good to those who hate you..."
Do you really believe in these things personally? What is the evidence?

How can you remember to do good to those who see things from a little different perspective than you this week?