

Litany – Bless Those Who Persecute

Leader: My friends, how do we respond when people mistreat us—
when they injure us physically,
or bully us emotionally;
when they steal what we own,
or cheat us out of what is rightfully ours;
when they spread false rumors about us,
or turn our friends against us?

How does God call us to respond?

**People: God calls us to bless those who persecute us—
to pray for them rather than curse them.**

**God calls us to do what is right and honorable at all times—
to live as peacemakers,
never retaliating with evil or seeking revenge,
no matter what has been done to us.**

**God calls us to treat our enemies with love and kindness,
and in this way, overpower evil with good.**

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