

– Matthew 5.43 - 6.6 –
Words to Teens 2
Knowing God

(4) That your relationship with the Father will require ...

Matthew 5.43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so? 48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. 6.1 Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. 2 Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 3 But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly. 5 And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.”

* “I want to focus in on just one aspect of this passage, and that is ...”

* Jesus assumes:

(1) That your life as an adult will be rooted in a ...

(2) That your relationship with God will ...

(3) That your highest motivation will be to ...

* We were made to _____, and _____ is _____ to life and the _____ of life.

* This relationship with God that Jesus presumes you will have is the same relationship we see between ...

* The fact that Jesus was a sinless, perfect man shows us ...

* This relationship is the _____ of God's remedy for our sin.

* Eternal life consists precisely in ...

* If Jesus died on the cross to restore that relationship, ...

* This relationship with the Father and Jesus is fed by a number of essential things involving _____, but it is also fed by the essential of ...

* Something to read and think about for next week: John 14.19-26. What does Jesus tell us about how we can know Him and the Father? If you are feeling ambitious, look at Luke 24.13-35. How does it illustrate what Jesus is talking about in John 14.19-26?