

DON'T HATE BACK

Daily Meditation – Thursday May 29, 2025

The Bible says, “Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things” (1 Cor. 13:4-7).¹

Jesus said, “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another” (Jn. 13:34). Jesus didn’t command us to do something we couldn’t do. He commanded us to love. That tells us love is controllable.

Offenses will come, Jesus informed us that in Luke 17:1-4. Satan knows who is walking with a strong anointing on their life and who means business with God. He also knows if he doesn’t trick that individual into believing his lies that person will do serious damage to his kingdom. We read earlier, “Love is patient, love is kind.” Paul wrote, “But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.” (Gal. 5:6)

Also, Solomon stated, “Hatred stirs up strife, but love covers all transgressions” (Pr. 10:12). When an individual is walking in the Spirit they are more likely to respond correctly than to react the wrong way. Pastor Tony Spell said, “If you don’t hate back they lose.”

¹ All Scripture quotations, unless otherwise noted, are from the *New American Standard Bible*.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION – Father God, I repent of all my sins, and I believe you raised Jesus from the dead. I confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life. Jesus, wash me with your holy blood. Holy Spirit fill me so I can be a mighty witness for King Jesus!