

Bless Those Who Persecute You

Romans 12:14, 19-21

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1.) Persecution is a Universal Reality

2 Timothy 3:12

Matthew 5:12, "...for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

John 15:20

Romans 12:14

2.) Persecution is a Diverse Reality

A.) Persecution Can Be Mockery

Acts 17:32, "32 And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked..."

B.) Persecution Can Be Maligning

1 Peter 4:3-4

C.) Persecution Can Be Ostracism

John 9:22

D.) Persecution Can Be Receiving Threats

Acts 4:21-22

E.) Persecution Can Be Plundering of Goods

Hebrews 10:34

F.) Persecution Can Be Exile and Prison

Revelation 1:9

G.) Persecution Can Be Death

Read Acts 8:1

3.) Persecution is a Deadly Reality

What We Learn From Our Passage:

1.) Instead of Showing us Persecution is a Problem, Romans 12:14 shows us Persecution is An Opportunity

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Romans 12:19

2.) God's Promise of Future Wrath on Every Sin, Enables Mercy From Every Christian

3.) There's An Amazing Power In Being Hurt, But Responding With Blessing

"...For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."