

The Gospel of Social Good
Romans 12:14-21

- I. Bless Those Who Persecute You (14)
 - A. Paul now makes a point clear about the gospel as it works itself out in society
 - B. This present age, as it always has under the sway of the Fall, stands against the things of God
 - C. The believer is to anticipate difficulty in the larger social order
- II. Why The Gospel Should Promote Peace Within The Christian Community (15-16)
 - A. Why share the emotional burden with one another?
 - B. Because the world will not share it with you...
 - C. Constancy of thought
 - D. Humility
- III. How To Deal With A Broken Social Order
 - A. Do not pay back with evil (the church is the manifestation of Jesus and the gospel – and the gospel is good)
 - B. Respect that which is right – and do so publicly
 - C. Be at peace (as far as it depends on you)
 - D. What should be the typical response to the “enemy” of the Christian?
 - E. Do not be overcome by evil – overcome evil with good