## **Friends and Enemies**

WELL, YOU HIT ME FIRST!

In the old days before Jesus came, people thought that it was good to be kind to their friends and mean to their enemies. But Jesus taught that God wants us to be kind to our enemies too.

God loves those who are good and those who are evil and He wants us to follow his example.

I'M SORRY IF I BOTHERED YOU.

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WE BE FRIENDS?

Have you ever gotten back at someone who did something bad to you? Does it make things better or worse?

Have you ever tried to do something nice for someone who was mean to you? That is the first step to making things better. If you have a hard time being nice to your enemies, try

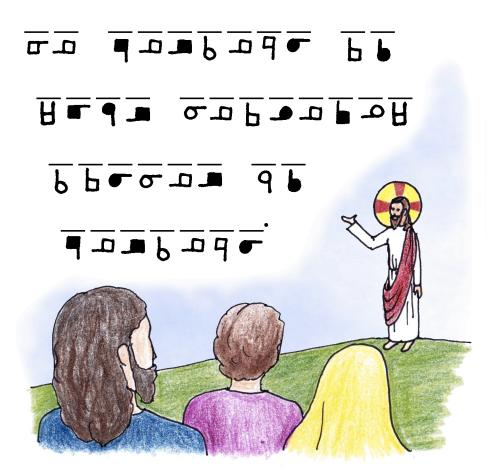


praying for them. God will help you to love them!

Answer to puzzle on front: Be perfect. your Heavenly Father is perfect. Answers to True or False: I. false 2. true 3. true 4. false 5. false 6. true 7. true

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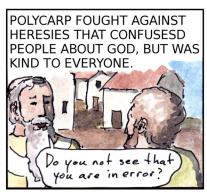


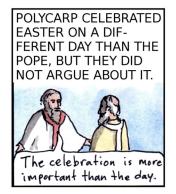
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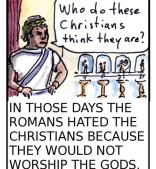
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Use the code to find out!

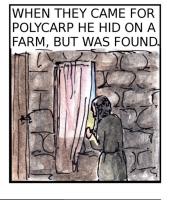
## Saint Polycarp February 23

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ABOUT JESUS
FROM SAINT
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BISHOP OF
SMYRNA, IN
WHAT IS NOW
TURKEY.













HE WOULDN'T REJECT THE FAITH, SO THEY TRIED TO BURN HIM, BUT THE FIRE ONLY WENT AROUND HIM AND DIDN'T HURT HIM! FINALLY THEY STABBED HIM.

SAINT POLYCARP HELD ONTO HIS FAITH EVEN WHEN HE WAS VERY OLD. HE WOULDN'T EVEN GIVE UP ON JESUS WHEN HE WAS FACED WITH TORTURE. MOST OF US WON'T HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN KEEPING OUR FAITH AND GETTING KILLED, BUT WE STILL HAVE TO BE BRAVE TO STAY TRUE TO JESUS IN THE WORLD.

## Irue or False: What did Jesus say?

How does Jesus tell us we should act toward others? Which of these are true and which are false?

1. When someone hits you on one cheek, you should hit them back.
True or False?

2. If someone tries to take your coat, you should give them your tunic as well. True or False?

3. If someone makes you walk a mile with them, you should walk two miles.

True or False?

4. If someone asks for something, you shouldn't lend it to them, since they might not give it back.

True or False?

5. You should love your friends and hate your enemies. True or False?

6. You should love your enemies and do good to the people who hate you.

True or False?

7. You should be perfect as our Heavenly Father is perfect.

True or False?

