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"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another ... "

(2 Corinthians 3:18)

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[25] And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" [26] He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" [27] And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." [28] And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

(Luke 10:25-28)

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, **"And** who is my neighbor?"

(Luke 10:29)

[30] Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. [31] Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. [32] So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. [33] But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. [34] He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. [35] And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' [36] Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" [37] He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

"With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse **people who are made in the likeness of God**. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so" (James 3:9-10).

"We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for **he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen**. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother" (1 John 4:19-21).

[8] Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. [9] For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." [10] Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

(Romans 13:8-10)

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

(John 13:34-35)