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THE BEATITUDES OF JESUS



Possibilities & Principles in the Pursuit of Peace

Matthew 5:9

Romans 12:18

**“If it be possible, as much as lieth
in you, live peaceably with all men.”**

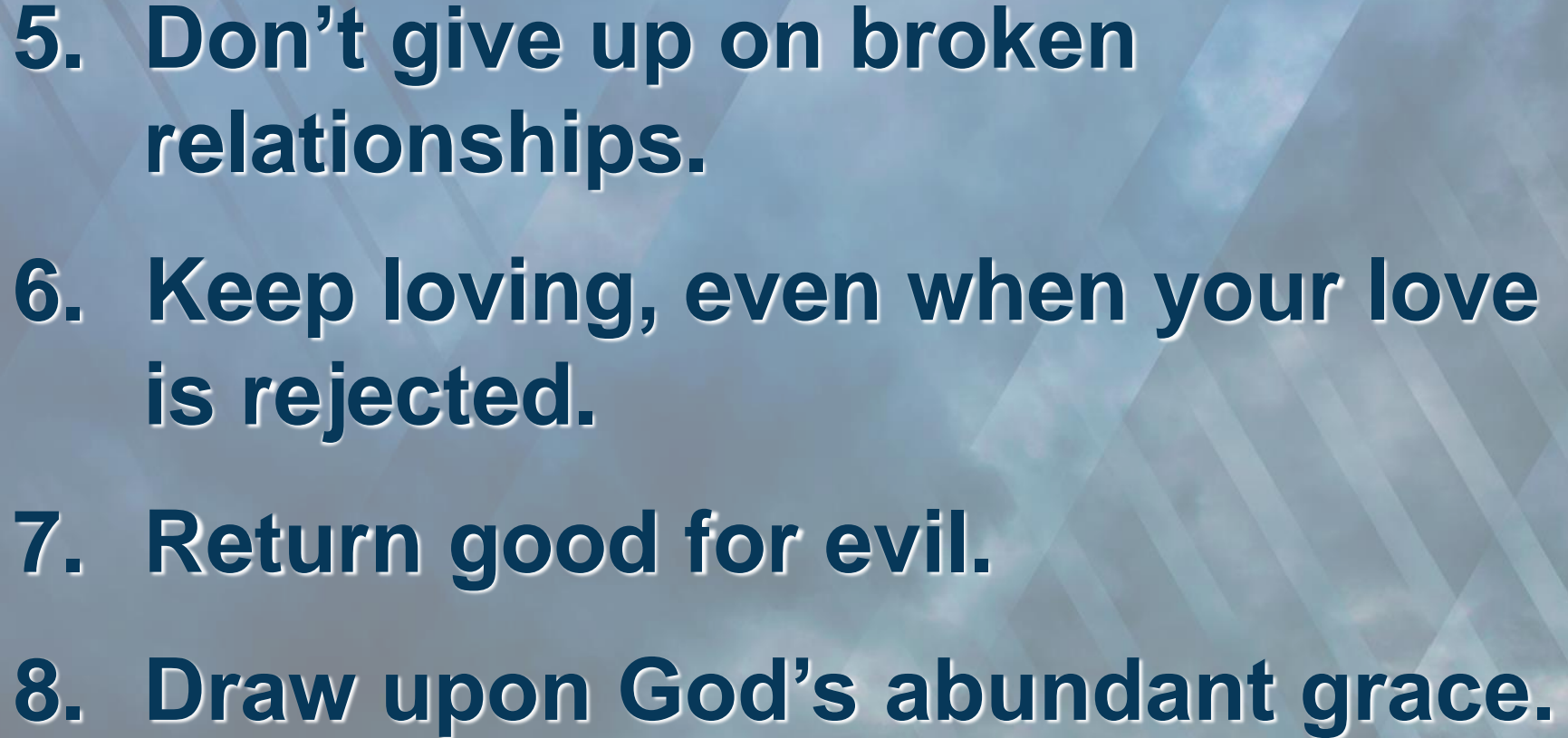
James 1:19-20

“Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: 20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.”

Proverbs 18:13

**“He that answereth a matter before
he heareth it, it is folly and shame
unto him.”**

- 1. Take whatever steps you can in the pursuit of peace.**
- 2. Listen before you speak.**
- 3. Respond, don't react.**
- 4. Abandon the urge to defend yourself.**

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- 5. Don't give up on broken relationships.**
 - 6. Keep loving, even when your love is rejected.**
 - 7. Return good for evil.**
 - 8. Draw upon God's abundant grace.**

Matthew 5:9

**“Blessed are the peacemakers:
for they shall be called
the children of God.”**