

## PRAYING FOR ENEMIES - virtue or virtue-signalling?

Christians pray for their enemies. Many are impressed by this act. Is such prayer really just a form of virtue-signalling or a passive aggressive way of trying to make the enemy look bad or worse than what they are? After all if you see somebody hurting somebody who says they are praying for them your rage against the culprit will be fuelled.

Is praying for enemies just a way of trying to feel better? If so then it is not about the enemies at all.

Is it a way of trying to heal the enemies of their evil tendencies? Are you asking God to help them repent and fix them? But that is asking him to manipulate their free will or remove it. And it is really trying for people prayed for the worst tyrants in history? Again it is about you trying to feel you are trying.

Is it a way of trying to ask God to give them health and wealth? That is asking for them to be rewarded and maybe get resources that enable them to get even worse.

The people who would not be impressed if Muslims were praying for Catholic enemies are impressed when Christians pray for enemies. Praying for enemies principally is about intending that the enemies will change and see the light according to you. So if you are Hindu you are trying to get God to have them become good Hindus and ditch Islam. That is why Christians would not like Hindus or whatever praying for them.

To be clear, praying for enemies on the face of it (whatever about the real meaning!) is about intending that the enemies will change and see the light and become good religionists in the one true faith that God sets up as a hospital for sinners. For a Catholic that is the Catholic Church. Its the only real hospital. For the Muslim its only Islam. That is why Christians would not like Muslims praying for them. The Muslim has to hope that first and foremost the Christians will desist from their faith and turn to Islam.

Some psychologists think praying for enemies though nonsense is good for it is the person channelling their negative energy into passive aggressive prayer instead of being actively violent.

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