



You shall know the truth, and it will  
make you odd.

— *Flannery O'Connor* —

AZ QUOTES

Odd duck





# Toward an Understanding of Pain and Suffering

**Romans 12:14, *et al***

John 15:18, 20 (Jesus said,) “If the world hates you, remember that it hated me first. ... Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. (NLT)

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Luke 6:22 Blessed are you when men hate you,  
when they exclude you and insult you  
and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man. ...  
<sup>27</sup> I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,  
<sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat  
you.

Romans 12:14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do  
not curse.

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Romans 2:4 Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?

*Emerging generations do not ask, "What is true?" They are primarily asking, "Do I want to be like you?"*