



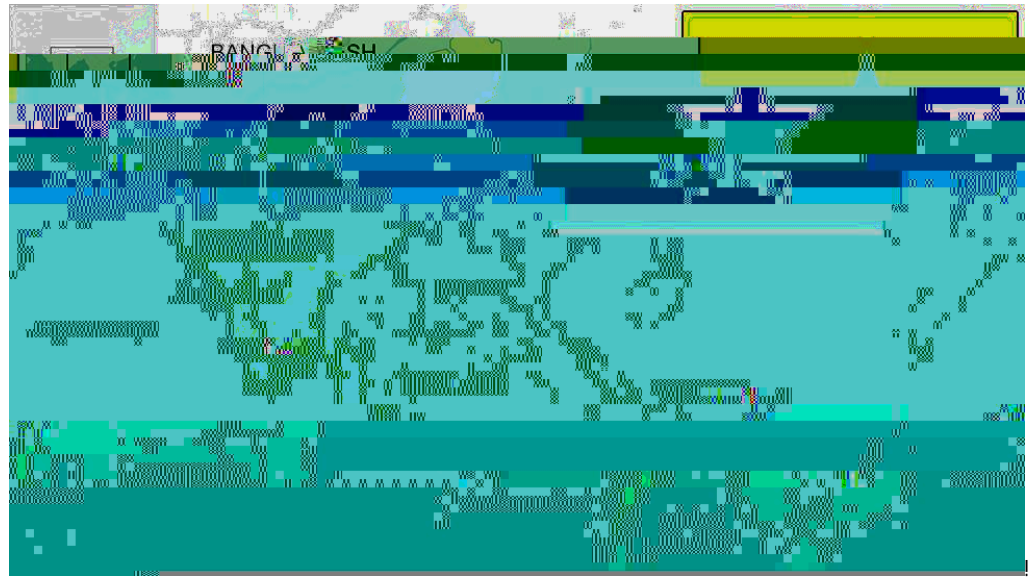
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Jesus was keenly aware of our tendency to Other others. 'You have heard it said love your neighbour, but I tell you.. love your enemy.' Wow! What

Christ's exhortation is deeply rooted in the Hebrew experience of

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