Romans 12:17-19 *(ESV) Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. [18] If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. [19] Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."*

****When someone has suffered greatly at the hands of an evil person it is very hard not to get angry and bitter and desire some form of payback. That is what makes these verses so hard. We are not supposed to "Repay" or payback evil for evil.
"I will repay, says the Lord. The promise that frees us from an unforgiving, bitter, vengeful spirit is the promise that God will settle our accounts. He will do it more justly and more thoroughly than we ever could. Therefore we can back off and leave room for God to work." (Future Grace - Piper pg. 264)

PRAYER: Lord, it is so hard to let go of anger at those who have hurt me. Please Lord, help me to remember that you died for them too. Help me to remember Your amazing grace in my life and help me to be willing to wait on You. Help me to trust You to act in perfect justice and mercy.

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