becomes intrusive enough to interrupt JESUS. The OTHERS start to take sides so that soon ALL are fighting. JESUS has to shout to be heard above the noise.)

Love, love, love, love your enemies.

(ALL freeze in place.)

And pray for your persecutors.

CAST MEMBER

(Indicating the person he or she has been fighting with.)

You don't mean...?

JESUS

I do!

Only so can you be called Children of your Heavenly Father.

(The CAST begins "making up" with their enemies in a general love-fest that gradually gets noisier in an ostentatious display of how much they "love" one another. As this is occurring, JESUS tries to continues his lesson.)

If you greet only those who greet you, what reward can you expect? And if you love only those who love you, what is there extraordinary in that? No, your goodness must know no bounds, just as your Heavenly Father's goodness knows no limit.

(By now, the "love-fest" has become so noisy, JESUS must get their attention by making a large noise with a prop or set piece. ALL fall silent and turn to look at him.)

But, be careful not to make a show of your religion before men.

ALL

(They hang their heads in shame)

Oh.

JESUS

Because if you do, no reward awaits you in the kingdom of my Father. When you do some act of charity, don't announce it with a flourish of trumpets, as the heathen do in the synagogues and in the streets. I tell you they do it just to win admiration from men. No, when you do some act of charity...

(JESUS takes out magic scarf.)

...don't let your right hand know...what your left hand is doing.

(JESUS changes color of the scarf.)

ALL

(In awe of the trick.)

Ohhhhhhh.

CAST MEMBER

(To audience)

Did you see that?

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