Belonging: The Search For Connection

"I am malicious because I am miserable" Frankenstein's Creation

Matthew 5:43-48: "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

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Leviticus 24:10-14: "Now the son of an Israelite mother and an *Egyptian father* went out among the Israelites, and a fight broke out in the camp between him and an Israelite. The son of the Israelite woman blasphemed the Name with a curse; so, they brought him to Moses. (His mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri the Danite.) They put him in custody until the will of the Lord should be made clear to them. Then the Lord said to Moses: 'Take the blasphemer outside the camp. All those who heard him are to lay their hands on his head, and the entire assembly is to stone him."

Both The Blasphemer & A Famous Prophet
Have a mixed lineage
"Went out" into the camp and got into a fight

All three, Frankenstein's creation, The Blasphemer, and The Famous Prophet have NO PLACE in this world

Be Holy: Make space for God and others in your life

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