

“The Healing Salve of a Loving Spirit”

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Matthew 7:7-12

A critical spirit burns like battery acid;
a loving spirit heals like a cooling salve.
A critical spirit tears down; a loving spirit builds up.
A critical spirit brings defeat, discouragement and anger;
a loving spirit inspires hope, confidence and joy.

1. God's Standard & Expectation (7:12)

2. God's Command & Promise (7:7-8)

- present imperatives
- redemption-gifts

3. God's Heart & Model (7:9-11)

- character of God
- character of our praying
1 Jn. 3:21-22; 5:14-15; Jms. 4:3