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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear David.

What a difficult question you ask, but I will try to answer it.

However good we try to be, we can never be as kind, gentle and wise as Jesus. There will be times when we say or do something we wish we hadn't done and we shall be sorry and try not to do it again. We do our best, but our best is

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not as good as his daily life. If
you and I were to paint a picture
it wouldn't be as good as the pictures
of great artists. No our lives
can't be as good as the life of Jesus.

As Primi Thiriker, I try very
hard to do things right and because
Jesus gave us a perfect example
I try even harder. But your Father is
right in saying that we can never
be perfect as He was.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thiriker