

How Believers Ought to Treat One Another

A discussion of selected “one another” passages in the New Testament.

1. LOVE ONE ANOTHER

“Beloved, let us **love one another**, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.”

1 John 4:7

- Read John 13:34 and John 15:12 to discover why we should love one another.

2. ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

“Therefore **encourage one another**, and build up one another, just as you also are doing.”

1 Thessalonians 5:11

- Read Hebrews 3:13 and Hebrews 10:25 to discover why we should encourage one another.

3. BUILD UP ONE ANOTHER

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- Read Romans 14:19.
- Read 1 Corinthians 14:26 to discover how we can build up one another.

4. PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

“Therefore, **confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another**, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.”

James 5:16

- Read Acts 12:5 to discover what happened when the early church prayed for Peter.
- Read Colossians 1:9 to Paul’s prayer for the believers at the church in Colossae.

5. LIVE IN HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER

“I urge Euodia and Syntyche to **live in harmony** in the Lord.”

Philippians 4:2

- Read Philippians 2:2 to discover Paul’s desire for the believers at the church in Philippi.
- Read Romans 12:16 to discover the attitude we must adopt to live in harmony with one another.

6. BE DEVOTED TO ONE ANOTHER

“Be **devoted to one another** in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor.”

Romans 12:10

- Read Romans 10:11-13 to discover ways in which we can be devoted to one another.
- Read 1 John 3:17 and discuss how we can express our devotion to one another in practical ways.

7. GIVE PREFERENCE TO ONE ANOTHER

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; **give preference to one another** in honor.”

Romans 12:10

- The word **honor** means to give weight, consideration, and value to another.
- Read Philippians 2:3-4 and discuss how we can give preference to one another in honor.

8. LIVE IN PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER

“and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. **Live in peace with one another.**”

1 Thessalonians 5:13

- Read Romans 12:18 and discuss our responsibility to live in peace with one another.
- Read 2 Corinthians 13:11 and discuss why living in peace is important among God’s people.

9. DO GOOD TO ONE ANOTHER

“So then, while we have opportunity, let us **do good to all men**, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.”

Galatians 6:10

- Read Romans 12:13 to discover practical ways in which we can do good to all men.
- Read 1 Corinthians 10:24.

10. BEAR ONE ANOTHER’S BURDENS

“**Bear one another’s burdens**, and thus fulfill the law of Christ”

Galatians 6:2

- Read Romans 15:1 to discover what Paul wrote about self-denial on behalf of others.
- Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14.

11. SERVE ONE ANOTHER

“For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love **serve one another.**”

Galatians 5:13

- Read John 13:5-15 and discuss how Jesus served His disciples.

12. FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER

“bearing with one another, and **forgiving each other**, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you.”

Colossians 3:13

- Read Matthew 6:14-15 and Ephesians 4:32 and discuss why we must forgive one another.

13. TEACH AND ADMONISH ONE ANOTHER

“Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom **teaching and admonishing one another** with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.”

Colossians 3:16

- Read Ephesians 5:19 to discover creative ways in which we can teach and admonish one another.
- Read 1 Thessalonians to discover who we should admonish.

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- Read 1 Corinthians 13:7 to discover the role of love in bearing all things.

15. DO NOT LIE TO ONE ANOTHER

“**Do not lie to one another**, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices.”

Colossians 3:9

- Read John 8:44 to discover who is the father of lies.
- Read Ephesians 4:25 and discuss why we should not lie to one another.

16. DO NOT BE A STUMBLING BLOCK TO ONE ANOTHER

“It is good not to eat meat or drink wine, or to do anything by which your brother stumbles.”

Romans 14:21

- Read Matthew 17:24-27 and discuss why Jesus gave up His personal rights.
- Read 1 Corinthians 8:13 and discuss why and when we must be willing to give up our personal rights.