

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

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

1 Thessalonians 5:11

- 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.

14. BEAR WITH 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 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.