The 59 "One Anothers" of the New Testament¹

1. "...Be at peace with each other." (Mark 9:50) 2. "... Wash one another's feet." (John 13:14) 3. "...Love one another..." (John 13:34) 4. "...Love one another..." (John 13:34) 5. "...Love one another..." (John 13:35) 6. "...Love one another..." (John 15:12) 7. "...Love one another" (John 15:17) 8. "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love..." (Romans 12:10) 9. "...Honor one another above yourselves. (Romans 12:10) 10. "Live in harmony with one another..." (Romans 12:16) 11. "...Love one another..." (Romans 13:8) 12. "... Stop passing judgment on one another." (Romans 14:13) 13. "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you..." (Romans 15:7) 14. "...Instruct one another." (Romans 15:14) 15. "Greet one another with a holy kiss..." (Romans 16:16) 16. "...When you come together to eat, wait for each other." (I Cor. 11:33) 17. "... Have equal concern for each other." (I Corinthians 12:25) 18. "... Greet one another with a holy kiss." (I Corinthians 16:20) 19. "Greet one another with a holy kiss." (II Corinthians 13:12) 20. "... Serve one another in love." (Galatians 5:13) 21. "If you keep on biting and devouring each other...you will be destroyed by each other." (Galatians 5:15) 22. "Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other." (Galatians 5:26) 23. "Carry each other's burdens..." (Galatians 6:2) 24. "... Be patient, bearing with one another in love." (Ephesians 4:2) 25. "Be kind and compassionate to one another..." (Ephesians 4:32) 26. "...Forgiving each other..." (Ephesians 4:32) 27. "Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs." (Ephesians 5:19) 28. "Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ." (Ephesians 5:21) 29. "...In humility consider others better than yourselves." (Philippians 2:3)30. "Do not lie to each other..." (Colossians 3:9) 31. "Bear with each other..." (Colossians 3:13) 32. "...Forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another." (Colossians 3:13) 33. "Teach...[one another]" (Colossians 3:16) 34. "... Admonish one another (Colossians 3:16) 35. "... Make your love increase and overflow for each other." (I Thessalonians 3:12) 36. "...Love each other." (I Thessalonians 4:9) 37. "... Encourage each other..." (I Thessalonians 4:18) 38. "... Encourage each other..." I Thessalonians 5:11) 39. "...Build each other up..." (I Thessalonians 5:11) 40. "Encourage one another daily..." Hebrews 3:13) 41. "... Spur one another on toward love and good deeds." (Hebrews 10:24) 42. "... Encourage one another." (Hebrews 10:25) 43. "...Do not slander one another." (James 4:11) 44. "Don't grumble against each other..." (James 5:9) 45. "Confess your sins to each other..." (James 5:16) 46. "... Pray for each other." (James 5:16)

47. "...Love one another deeply, from the heart." (I Peter 3:8)

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48. "...Live in harmony with one another..." (I Peter 3:8)
49. "...Love each other deeply..." (I Peter 4:8)
50. "Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling." (I Peter 4:9)
51. "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others..." (I Peter 4:10)
52. "...Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another..."(I Peter 5:5)
53. "Greet one another with a kiss of love." (I Peter 5:14)
54. "...Love one another." (I John 3:11)
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58. "...Love one another." (I John 4:12)
59. "...Love one another." (II John 5)
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Love One Another

Read 1 John 4:7-12, 19-21.2

John writes that "Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God" (v. 7). This verse doesn't mean that everyone who experiences human affection has a personal relationship with the Father. The word John uses for "love" in this passage is *agapeo*, the Greek term used in the New Testament to indicate selfless, sacrificial love. In the Bible, it is never used to refer to sexual, romantic, brotherly, or familial relationships. *Agape* love is of God. Only through His power can we *agapeo* each other.

- Given that the word for love in this passage is *agapeo*, explain the meaning of verse 7.
- Explain the difference between the phrases "God is love" (v.8) and "God is loving."
- Why do you think a lack of love for others indicates a problem in our relationship with the Father?
- Explain verse 11.
- What does John imply about the power of genuine love in a Christian community (v. 12)?
- Do you agree that someone "who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen" (v. 20)? Explain your answer.
- What do you find difficult about loving others, especially fellow believers?
- Talk about an occasion when you witnessed and/or received love from Christians. What happened?
- First John 3:16 says, "We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." How might you "lay down your life" for someone else this week?

Related Bible Verses for further reflection:

- Matthew 5:38-42—Christ-like love serves others
- Matthew 5:43-48—Loving enemies
- Matthew 23:37-39—Jesus shows how to love lost people
- Romans 8:35-36—Nothing can take God's love from us
- Romans 12:9-21—Love demands that we give of ourselves
- 1 Corinthians 13:4-8—Description of real love
- 1 Corinthians 13:13—Love is the greatest
- Philippians 1:3-8—Paul's love for the Philippians

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