

Got LOVE?

Loving Your NEIGHBOR

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Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others.
Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.
Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must
have the same attitude
that Christ Jesus had. **Philippians 2:3-5**

Our *ministry* is **loving & serving** other believers.

Our *mission* is **loving & serving** all people.

Acts 20:24 But my life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God.

Sharing your life message...

What my life was like before I met Jesus

How I realized I needed Jesus

How I committed my life to Jesus

The difference Jesus has made in my life

1 Peter 3:15b-16 Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way. Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ.

"People may refuse our love or reject our message,
but they are defenseless against our prayers"

LOVE one another in *response* to **God's LOVE** for us.

1 John 4:21 And he has given us this command: Those who love God must also love their Christian brothers and sisters.

LOVE one another deeply

1 Peter 1:22 You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.

1 Peter 4:8 Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins.

Genuine **LOVE** is *servicing* others

1 Peter 4:10 God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.

To **LOVE** is to be devoted to *one another*

Romans 12:9-10 Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.

**Do not seek honor and prestige but,
like Jesus, be ready to serve others.**

Matthew 20:26-28 But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

“A great commitment to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission will make you a great Christian.”

“Love God with all your heart”

you were planned to experience God's love.

“Love your neighbor as yourself”

you were shaped for serving others.

“Go and make disciples”

you were made for a purpose.

“Baptize them into”

you were formed for God's family.

“Teach them to do all things”

you were created to become like Christ.