

THE 11TH COMMANDMENT

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

John 13:34-35

“A new commandment I give you; Love one another as I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples if you love one another.”

How do we “Love One Another”?
ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”

1 Thessalonians 5:11

“But encourage one another daily...”

Hebrews 3:13

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another...”

Hebrews 10:25

“Encourage One Another” is the most frequent “One Another” in the Bible. Why? Devil’s #1 tool is **DISCOURAGEMENT**

Encouraging One Another is one way you can love **LIKE JESUS LOVED**

“God comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When others are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.”

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NLT)

ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER...

1. Because it is easy to **BE DISCOURAGED**

“Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows.”

John 16:33

Heads up: Difficult times can lead to times of **DOUBT**

2. Because you can get tired even doing **THE NEXT RIGHT THING**

“So don’t get tired of doing what is good. Don’t get discouraged and give up.”

Galatians 6:9 (NLT)

“And let us not be weary in well doing...” (KJV)

Heads up: Even doing good can get **MUNDANE**

3. To always keep a **SERVANT’S HEART**

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward good deeds...encouraging one another.”

Hebrews 10:24-25

Heads up: It takes guts to **LEAVE RUTS**

4. To go after your **MINISTRY AND MISSION PASSION**
“After Paul and Silas came out of the prison...they met with the brothers and sisters and encouraged them.” Acts 16:40

Heads up: Everyone needs a little **JUMP START**

HOW YOU CAN BE AN ENCOURAGER?

1. With sensitivity be ready **SHARE YOUR STORY**
“After Paul and Silas came out of the prison...they met with the brothers and sisters and encouraged them.” Acts 16:40

2. Practice the ministry of **PRESENCE**
“You must encourage one another each day.” Hebrews 3:13

3. Practice all five languages of encouragement

* **WORDS OF AFFIRMATION**

* **TANGIBLE GIFTS**

* **PHYSICAL TOUCH**

* **QUALITY TIME**

* **ACTS OF SERVICE**

“A word of encouragement does wonders.” Proverbs 12:25 (LB)

4. Know and Share **GOD’S WORD**
“And the Scriptures were written to teach and encourage us by giving hope.” Romans 15:4 (CEV)

“The LORD gives me the right words to encourage the weary.” Isaiah 50:4

The Ultimate Act of Encouragement
THE CROSS