

LOVING ONE ANOTHER

John 13:34-35



A FAMILY LOVE

- You have a unique responsibility of love toward your physical family (1 Tim. 5:8).
- We also have a specific responsibility to our spiritual family (Jn. 13:34-35).
- It is a shame when members of this family must go elsewhere to have needs met (Matt. 25:35-46; 1 Cor. 6:5-6; Jas. 1:27).
- There is a difference in an opportunity and a responsibility (Deut. 22:1-4).



A PRIMARY COMMITMENT

- We are talking about the question of love in layers (Lk. 14:25-26).
- Our love toward each other takes a particular priority (Gal. 6:10).
- Our lives should be characterized as a togetherness (Acts 2:44-46).
- Such demands require reduced commitment to other opportunities (1 Cor. 7:29-31).



WISDOM TOWARD OUTSIDERS

- Firstly, we must recognize the distinction (2 Cor. 6:14-18; Jas. 4:4).
- We live quietly, respectfully, and wisely among them (1 Thess. 4:11-12; 1 Pet. 2:11-12).
- We should be known as people who love to talk about God (1 Pet. 2:9).
- We should also take opportunities to do good to all (Gal. 6:10; Matt. 5:45).

