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LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Bible students are accustomed to reading the word “love” in the scriptures. In fact, in the twenty-seven books of the New Testament, the word “love” is found in every one of them except one. When it comes to the love that Jesus wants His disciples to show, there is instruction for us to love our neighbors (Romans 13:9), love our family members (Titus 2:4), and even love our enemies (Luke 6:35).

There is another aspect of love that is mentioned over and over throughout the new covenant. It is this three-word message: “Love one another.” Time and again the followers of the Christ are instructed to do that very thing – “Love one another.” Jesus spoke about it (John 13:34,35). Paul wrote about it, (1 Thessalonians 4:9,10), as did Peter (1 Peter 1:21).

There is one New Testament epistle, however, that especially grabs our attention on this topic, because it is “loaded” with the divine message for God’s children to love one another. The letter that we have in mind is 1 John. In four of the five chapters in this letter, we read about the need for God’s people to love one another. John speaks repeatedly of this, and he approaches the topic from a number of different angles. For our purposes, we want to survey the book of 1 John with one question in mind: What is there in 1 John that *should motivate* us to love one another? *Why should we* love one another? *Continued on next page.....*

