#### 2019 - Love One Another

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John 13:34-35 - \*A new command I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you must love one another.

\*By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

We have this command from the Lord to love one another as He has loved us so that His church is a place where people are not judged and where stumbling blocks and obstacles are not put in each other's way. The Apostle Paul writes this a little later for us in Romans 14:13.

Therefore, let us stop passing judgement on one another.

Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.

People come to the Lord to be set free from sin and all the burdens and troubles that come with a sinful life. Being set free is awesome, but since freedom is new to us all, we need to unlearn how to treat one another as we did before. Our former behavior, judging each other and being a burden to each other, has no place in His church and because of the Lord's work on us, we can now love another instead of be each other's judge, and we can help each other be free from burdens rather than adding on to the burdens they came to the Lord to be free of.

Therefore, as we seek the Lord, let's ask Him to help us truly agape love another and to unlearn our former ways of judgement and burdening others. Let's resist all that would have us not treat one another in love and all that would have us make life easier for us and more difficult for others. And, let's look forward to the greater freedom we will have from the troubles and burdens this life can give us as we truly agape love one as our Lord Jesus commanded us to do. Lord Jesus, help us truly love one another just as you have loved us! Amen!

Sincerely yours,

Pastor Ron

This week's Prayer Focus – Let's pray for "Love One Another Movement" that America really needs.

This Week's Prayer Request – <u>Let's pray that prayer would be restored in our public schools and for us each to fully take on our part and agape love one another, not making life harder for others, in this much needed, "Love One Another Movement.</u>

### Yesterday's Bible Chapters - 10/9

1 Kings 12

Psalm 94

Ezekiel 42

Philippians 3

<u>There is nothing like faith to help at a pinch; faith dissolves doubts as the sun dries away the mists</u>. John Bunyan (1628-1688)\*\*

Proverbs 9

#### Today's Bible Chapters - 10/10

1 Kings 13

Psalms 95-96

Ezekiel 43

Philippians 4

The great mark of a person who is waiting for the Lord is that he is looking round to see that others are ready for Him.

J.B. Stoney (1815-1897)\*\*

Proverbs 10

#### Friday's Bible Chapters - 10/11

1 Kings 14

Psalms 97-98

Ezekiel 44

Colossians 1

Let fire, the cross, the letting out of beasts upon me, breaking of my bones, the tearing of my members, the grinding of my whole body, and the torments of the devils come upon me' so be it, (that) I may get Christ. Jeremiah Burroughs (1599-1646)\*\*

Proverbs 11

#### Saturday's Bible Chapters - 10/12

1 Kings 15

Psalms 99-101

Ezekiel 45

Colossians 2

Better to have a dog that will, by his barking, tell us a thief is in our yard, than one that will sit still and let us be robbed before we have any notice of danger. (concerning a troubled conscience) William Gurnall 1617-1679)\*\*

Proverbs 12

#### Sunday's Bible Chapters - 10/13

1 Kings 16

Psalm 102

Ezekiel 46

Colossians 3

Sincerity is the holy oil which makes the wheels of the soul run nimbly, even in the difficult paths of obedience. John Flavel (1627-1691)\*\*

Proverbs 13

#### Monday's Bible Chapters - 10/14

1 Kings 17

Psalm 103

Ezekiel 47

Colossians 4

<u>Despise not a man for being a sinner, for though he be evil today, he may turn tomorrow</u>. William Perkins (1558-1602)\*\*

Proverbs 14

## Tuesday's Bible Chapters - 10/15

1 Kings 18

Psalm 104

Ezekiel 48

1 Thessalonians 1

The pure water should be allowed to flow from the heart of God to the heart of the sinner, without receiving a tinge from the channel through which it flows. (written to an evangelist concerning preaching) Charles H. Mackintosh (1820-1896)\*\*

Proverbs 15

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God will neither expect nor desire his blessing without exertion; for it has always been God's way to crown only those that run the race that is set before them, and fight the good fight of faith. William Jay (1769-1853)\*\*

<sup>\*</sup>John 13:34 (NIV) A new command I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you much love one another.

<sup>\*\*</sup>On Earth as it is in Heaven, A Classic Bible Reading Guide compiled by Stephen Hill.