

Love One Another

Lesson Text: John 15: 12-17

12 “This is My commandment,
that you love one another, just as
I have loved you”.

13 “Greater love has no one than
this, that one lay down his life for
his friends”.

14 “You are My friends if you do
what I command you”.

15 “No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you”.

16 “You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you”.

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The Apostle John mention seven (7) I AM statements in the gospel of John. They are:

1. I am the bread of Life; John 6: 35
2. I am the Light of the World; John 8:12
3. I am the Door; John 10:9
4. I am the Good Shepherd; John 10:11
5. I am the Resurrection and the Life; John 11:25
6. I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; John 14:6
7. I am the True Vine; John 15:1

The Apostle John also mentions seven (7) miracles in the gospel of John that proclaim the deity of Jesus Christ. They are:

1. Changing water into wine; John 2: 1-11
2. Healing the Royal Official's son from afar; John 4: 46-54
3. Healing a lame man by the sheep gate pool being called Bethesda; John 5: 1-18
4. Feeding over five thousand men with five barley loaves (bread) and two fish; John 6: 5-14
5. Walking on the water (the sea of Galilee); John 6: 16-21
6. Healing a man who was blind from birth; John 9: 1-7
7. Resurrection of Lazarus; John 11: 1-16

The Hebrew word for “Love” is (**Ashyahu**).

It is both a noun and verb.

It represents:

(1) *sensuous*, and often (though not necessarily) evil desire;

(2) *family affection* and *natural friendship*; and,

(3) the highest *spiritual passion*.

The Greek word or words for “Love” are:

(1) *erōs* - sexual love;

(2) *storgē* - family love, natural affection;

(3) (a) *philia* - social love, friendship,

(b) *phileō*, -spontaneous natural affection, and,

(c) *philadelphia* - brotherly love;

(4) *philanthropia* -humanity/ kindness; and,

(5) *agapē* - religious love, the love of God to man or man to God, or of man to man under God’s covenant.

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Consequences of Non-Fruit Bearing/Fruit Bearing Branches

Non- Fruit Bearing Branch



Consequence: Takes Away

Judas

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Fruit Bearing Branch



Consequence : Prunes (Clean)

Peter

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