

LET'S TALK



How to Disagree

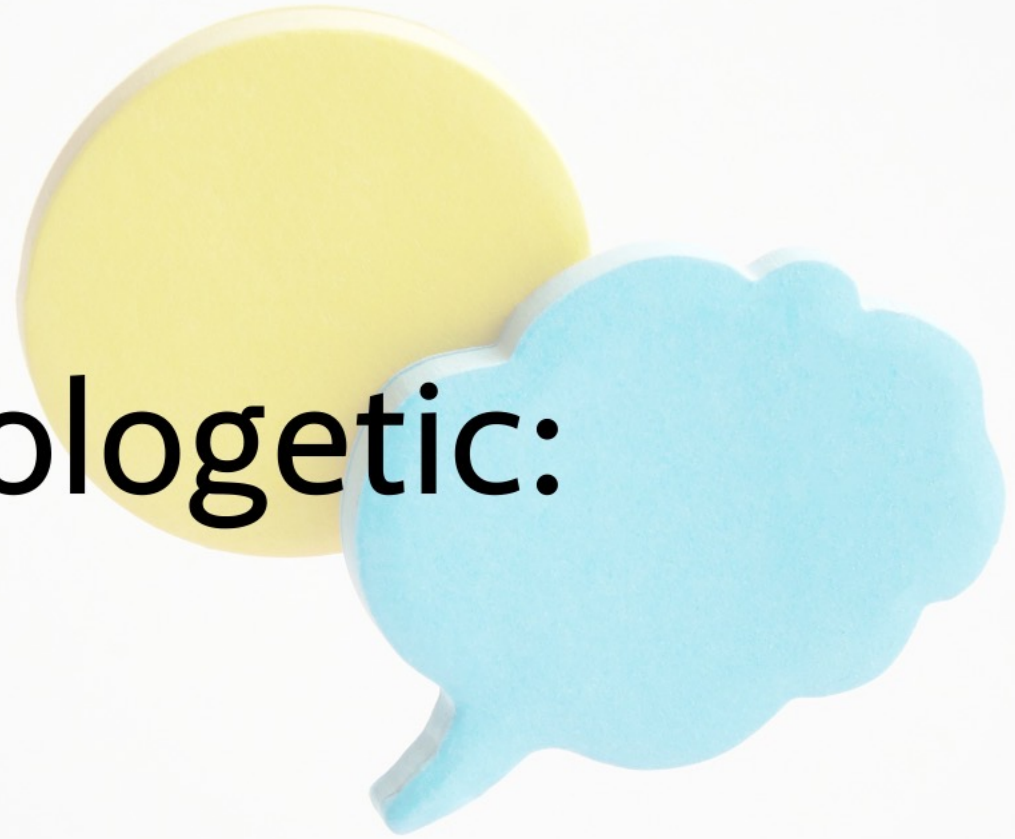
Matt. 5:21-26; 18:15-20; Rom. 12:9-18





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1) The Final Apologetic:



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“I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

John 13:34–35



⁹Let ~~love~~ be without ~~hypocrisy~~. Detest evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰~~Love~~ one another deeply as ~~brothers~~ and ~~sisters~~. ~~Take the lead~~ in honoring one another. ¹¹Do not lack diligence in zeal; be fervent in the Spirit; serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; be persistent in prayer. ¹³Share with the saints in their needs; pursue hospitality.

Romans 12:9–18



¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud; instead, associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own estimation. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Give careful thought to do what is honorable in everyone's eyes. ¹⁸ If possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Romans 12:9–18

“Love without truth is sentimentality; it supports and affirms us but keeps us in denial about our flaws. Truth without love is harshness; it gives us information but in such a way that we cannot really hear it. God's saving love in Christ, however, is marked by both radical truthfulness about who we are and yet also radical, unconditional commitment to us. The merciful commitment strengthens us to see the truth about ourselves and repent. The conviction and repentance moves us to cling to and rest in God's mercy and grace.”

Tim Keller



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- 1) The Final Apologetic
 - 2) The Unity of the Spirit



¹Therefore I, the prisoner in the Lord, urge you to walk worthy of the calling you have received,

²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,

³~~making every effort~~ to keep the unity of the Spirit ~~through~~ the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:1-3

¹⁵“If your brother sins against you, go tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won your brother.

¹⁶But if he won't listen, take one or two others with you, so that by the testimony of two or three witnesses every fact may be established.

¹⁷If he doesn't pay attention to them, tell the church. If he doesn't pay attention even to the church, let him be like a Gentile and a tax collector to you.

Matthew 18:15–20



¹⁸“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will have been loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you on earth agree about any matter that you pray for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them.”

Matthew 18:15–20



²¹“You have heard that it was said to our ancestors, Do not murder, and whoever murders will be subject to judgment. ²²But I tell you, everyone who is angry with his brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Whoever insults his brother or sister will be subject to the court. Whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be subject to hellfire.

Matthew 5:21–26



²³ So if you are offering your gift on the altar, and there you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled with your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 5:21-26



⁸This saying is trustworthy. I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed God might be careful to devote themselves to good works. These are good and profitable for everyone. ⁹But avoid foolish debates, genealogies, quarrels, and disputes about the law, because they are unprofitable and worthless. ¹⁰Reject a divisive person after a first and second warning. ¹¹For you know that such a person has gone astray and is sinning; he is self-condemned.

Titus 3:8-11



“Most if not all of Paul’s letters and his tenures in various locales can be understood as implementation of Christ’s dictum “Blessed are the peacemakers” (Matt 5:9).”

Bob Yarbrough



¹²Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to give recognition to those who labor among you and lead you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³and to regard them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves.

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22



¹⁴And we exhort you, brothers and sisters:
warn those who are idle, comfort the
discouraged, help the weak, be patient with
everyone. ¹⁵See to it that no one repays evil for
evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good
for one another and for all.

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22



¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray constantly, ¹⁸give thanks in everything; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. ¹⁹Don't stifle the Spirit. ²⁰Don't despise prophecies, ²¹but test all things. Hold on to what is good. ²²Stay away from every kind of evil.

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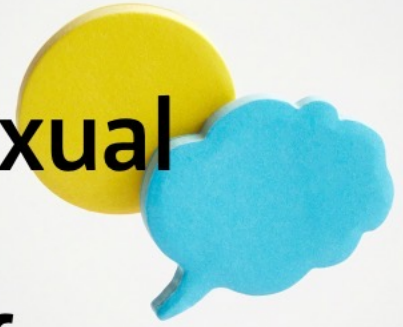
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- 1) The Final Apologetic
 - 2) The Unity of the Spirit
 - 3) Disagreeing as Sinner/Saints

¹⁶ I say, then, walk by the Spirit and you will certainly not carry out the desire of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.



Galatians 5:16-18

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and anything similar. I am warning you about these things—as I warned you before—that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.



Galatians 5:19–21





²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. The law is not against such things. ²⁴ Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Galatians 5:22-24



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