



One Another - Part 2 - Love
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In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. - Philippians 2:5

Love is **patient**, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

- **Love is patient = slowness in avenging wrongs.**

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. - Ephesians 4:2

PATIENCE WITH ONE ANOTHER (1 Peter 3:8-12)

⁸ Finally, all of you should be of one mind. Sympathize with each other. Love each other as brothers and sisters. Be tenderhearted, and keep a humble attitude. ⁹ Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and he will grant you his blessing. - 1 Peter 3:8-9

1) Patient people respond to OFFENSES in a God-honoring way.

¹⁰ For the Scriptures say, "If you want to enjoy life and see many happy days, keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies." - 1 Peter 3:10

2) Patient people help to HEAL broken relationships.

¹¹ Turn away from evil and do good. Search for peace, and work to maintain it. - 1 Peter 3:11

A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict, but the one who is patient calms a quarrel. - Proverbs 15:18

3) Patient people learn to TRUST GOD when they are wronged.

¹² The eyes of the Lord watch over those who do right, and his ears are open to their prayers. But the Lord turns his face against those who do evil. - 1 Peter 3:12

Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. ¹⁸ Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone. ¹⁹ Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back," says the Lord.
- Romans 12:17-19

4) Patient people remember that GOD IS PATIENT WITH US.

But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. - 2 Peter 3:8-9