

(1 John 4:8) Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

- ✓ **God is love.**
- ✓ Love is experienced when we **Honor** God.
- ✓ Honoring God starts with **living** according to God and moves to **leading** others to God.

_____ **the right person is very important.**

_____ **the right person is more important.**

(Ephesians 1:4) Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ.

(Romans 5:1-5) Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory. We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

(John 13:34b) Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.

Jesus opted for _____ over personal rights.

- **In my flesh, I protect my rights and _____ responsibility.**

(Philippians 2:5-7) You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave.

- ✓ **In Christ, I can _____ my rights and assume responsibility.**

(Philippians 2:1-2) Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.

- **In my flesh, I can have _____ interest in mind.**

(Philippians 2:3-4) Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

- ✓ **In Christ, I can have _____ interest in mind.**

(Ephesians 5:21) Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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1. **I will _____ my God-given relationships daily.**

(Colossians 3:14) Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

(1 Peter 4:8) Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

2. **I will _____ quickly.**

((Colossians 3:8-9) But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds.

(Colossians 3:12-13) Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

3. **I will _____ recklessly.**

(Colossians 3:10-11) Put on your new nature and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him. In this new life... Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us.