# LOVE ONE ANOTHER

1 John 3:11-18

# Love is the Evidence.

## 1. THE MESSAGE OF LOVE (v.11)

<sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35

#### Greek Words for Love:

Eros Philia Storge Agape "One anothers' I can't find in the New Testament: humble one another, scrutinize one another, pressure one another, embarrass one another, corner one another, interrupt one another, defeat one another, disapprove of one another, run one another's lives, confess one another's sins, intensify one another's sufferings, point out one another's failings . . . . ." Ray Ortlund, Jr.

## 2. THE CONTRAST OF LOVE (vv 12-15)

<sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Genesis 3:15

<sup>3</sup> In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, <sup>4</sup> and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,

Genesis 4:3-4

### 3. THE MODEL OF LOVE (vv 16-18)

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"It is easier to be enthusiastic about Humanity with a capital 'H' than it is to love individual men and women, especially those who are uninteresting, exasperating, depraved or otherwise unattractive. Loving everybody in general may be an excuse for loving nobody in particular." C.S. Lewis

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