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1 Corinthians 13:4-8a



Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. . . .

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a



Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a

Romans 5:8



But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

1 John 4:16



And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 1 John 4:16

John 15:9-12



As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. . . .

John 15:9-12



I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. 1 John 15:9-12

2 Corinthians 5:16-20



So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! . . .

2 Corinthians 5:16-20



All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. . . .

2 Corinthians 5:16-20



We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:16-20



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