

TOPIC: Love for One Another

Lesson Objectives

By the end of this lesson, students should be able to:

1. **Explain the concept of love for one another**
 2. **Identify and explain key Bible passages that teach about love**
 3. **Discuss the qualities and importance of love as taught in 1 Corinthians 13**
 4. **Apply the lessons of love in daily life (home, school, community)**
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1. Meaning of Love for One Another

What is Love?

Love is the **deep feeling of care, concern, and commitment** toward others. In Christianity, love goes beyond feelings—it is shown through:

- **Actions**
 - **Sacrifice**
 - **Forgiveness**
 - **Kindness and patience**
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Christian Love (Agape)

- **Agape love** is the **highest form of love**.
 - It is **selfless, unconditional, and sacrificial**.
 - Jesus **demonstrated agape love** by dying on the cross for humanity.
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2. Bible References on Love for One Another

A) 1 John 4:7–8

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love."

Meaning:

- God is the source of love.
 - Loving others proves we know God.
 - Hatred and selfishness are signs of disconnection from God.
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B) John 15:12–13

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends."

Meaning:

- Jesus **commands us to love one another**.
 - True love involves **sacrifice, even giving one's life** for others.
 - Jesus showed this by **dying on the cross** for the salvation of mankind.
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3. The Supremacy of Love (1 Corinthians 13)

Summary of 1 Corinthians 13

This chapter is also known as the "**Love Chapter**."

Verse Meaning

1–3 Without love, all spiritual gifts (speaking in tongues, prophecy, faith) are useless.

4–7 Love is patient, kind, humble, forgiving, truthful, and protective.

8 Love never fails. Other things may pass away, but love remains.

13 "**Now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.**"

Qualities of True Love (1 Corinthians 13:4–7)

Love is... Love is not...

Patient Proud

Love is... Love is not...

Kind Jealous

Humble Selfish

Forgiving Easily angered

Truthful Deceitful

Protective Rejoicing in evil

Hopeful Condemning

4. Importance of Loving One Another

Importance

Explanation

It is God's Commandment Jesus instructed His followers to love one another.

It Promotes Unity Love brings people together, ending hatred and division.

It Reflects God's Nature Since God is love, loving others shows we belong to Him.

It Makes the World Better Love reduces violence, crime, and selfishness.

It Leads to Eternal Life Loving others is part of living a righteous life that leads to heaven.

5. Practical Ways to Show Love

At Home

At School

In the Community

Help siblings with chores Be kind to classmates

Help the needy

Obey parents

Share materials with friends Visit the sick or elderly

Forgive family members Avoid bullying or fighting

Volunteer in community service

6. Lessons from Love for One Another

- **Love is action, not just words**

- **Forgiveness is a part of love**
 - **Helping and caring for others shows God's love**
 - **True Christians are known by their love for others**
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7. Summary of Key Points

- **God is love** (1 John 4:7–8)
 - Jesus **commands us to love one another** (John 15:12–13)
 - **Love is the greatest gift** (1 Corinthians 13)
 - Love is **patient, kind, forgiving, and humble**
 - Love leads to **peace, unity, and God's blessings**
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8. Evaluation Questions

1. Quote **1 John 4:8**.
 2. What does **John 15:12–13** teach about love?
 3. List **five qualities of love** from **1 Corinthians 13:4–7**.
 4. Why is love called the **greatest gift**?
 5. Give **three ways you can show love** in your school.
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9. Assignment

Write an essay on:

"Why is Love Important in School and in Society?"

Give at least **4 examples** to support your answer.

10. Memory Verses

1. **1 John 4:8**

"He who does not love does not know God, for God is love."

2. John 15:12

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

11. Real-Life Application

Situation	Action of Love
Someone hurts you	Forgive them
A classmate needs help	Assist them without expecting a reward
A friend makes a mistake	Correct them in love, not in anger
A neighbor is sick	Visit and support them