

**“Love One Another”**  
**I Peter 1:22-25**

**I Peter 1:22-25** *Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.*

**I Peter 1:23** *since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God*

**Illustration: picture #1 of fans (sports)**

**Picture #2 of fans (music)**

Truth: Followers of Jesus love one another.

-Love without hypocrisy.

**I Peter 1:22** *Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love...*

**I John 4:20-21** *If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.*

-Love without giving up.

**I Peter 1:22** *... love one another earnestly ...*

**Luke 22:44** *And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.*

-Love without mixed motives.

**I Peter 1:22** *... from a pure heart*

**Romans 8:35** *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?*

**Romans 8:38-39** *For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Who needs this love from you?

**I Peter 1:22** *Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another...*

-Other believers.

**I John 3:16 (Message)** *This is how we've come to understand and experience love: Christ sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves.*

**I Thessalonians 4:9-10** *Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more,*

-The world around us.

**John 13:34-35** *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*