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Tower of Strength

**“The name of the Lord is a strong tower
The righteous runs into it and is safe.”**

—Proverbs 18:10

“One Another” Statements

Almost forty times, the Apostle Paul uses the phrase “one another” to describe our special relationship with and responsibilities toward our brothers and sisters in Christ. These passages mostly speak for themselves, and I present them here, in order, for your consideration.

Rom 12:5, “We who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”

Rom. 12:10a, “Be devoted to one another in brotherly love.”

Rom. 12:10b, “Give preference to one another in honor.”

Rom. 12:16, “Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly.”

Rom. 13:8, “Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another.”

Rom. 14:13, “Let us not judge one another, but rather determine this—not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother’s way.”

Rom. 14:19, "So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another."

Rom. 15:5, "Be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus."

Rom. 15:7, "Accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God."

Rom. 15:14, "I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, and able also to admonish one another."

Rom. 16:16, "Greet one another with a holy kiss."

1 Cor. 11:33, "When you come together to eat [the Lord's Supper] wait for one another."

1 Cor. 12:25, "There should be no division in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another."

Gal. 5:13, "For then you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

Gal. 5:15, "But if you bite and devour one another, be careful that you are not consumed by one another."

Gal. 5:26, "Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another."

Eph. 4:2, "Walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing forbearance for one another in love."

Eph. 4:25, "Laying aside falsehood, speak truth, each one of you, with his neighbor, for we are members of one another."

Eph. 4:32, "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."

Eph. 5:19, "Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks."

Eph. 5:21, "Be subject to one another in the fear of Christ"

Phil. 2:3, "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself."

Col. 3:9, "Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices."

Col. 3:13, "And so, as those who have been chosen of God ... put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving each other."

Col. 3:16, "Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs."

1 Thess. 3:12, "May the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another."

1 Thess. 4:9, "You yourselves are taught by God to love one another."

1 Thess. 4:18, "Comfort one another with these words."

1 Thess. 5:11, "Encourage one another, and build up one another."

1 Thess. 5:13, "Live in peace with one another."

1 Thess. 5:15, "See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all men."

2 Thess. 1:3, "Your faith is greatly enlarged, and the love of each one of you toward one another grows ever greater."

Quotations on the Encouragement Of Fellow Christians

“It is as undesirable and impossible to be a Christian all by yourself as it is to be a newborn baby all by yourself.” —*N. T. Wright*

“The next best thing to being wise oneself is to live in a circle of those who are.” —*C. S. Lewis*

“Fellowship is a place of grace, where mistakes are not rubbed in, but rather rubbed out.” —*Rick Warren*

“We must cherish one another, watch over one another, comfort one another, and gain instruction from one another, that we may all sit down in heaven together.” —*L. M. Smith*

“Do not be ashamed of help.” —*Marcus Aurelius*

“Adam’s fellowship with God was perfect, and yet God Himself declared that Adam needed other humans.” —*John Ortberg, Jr.*

“Laughter is sweet when enjoyed alone. But it becomes sweeter when you enjoy it together with the people around you.” —*Israelmore Ayivor*

“Reproof is unavoidable. God’s word demands it when a brother falls into open sin. The practice of discipline in the congregation must begin in the smallest circles... Nothing can be more cruel than the tenderness that consigns another to his sin. Nothing can be more compassionate than the severe rebuke that calls a brother back from the path of sin.” —*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

“When you feel your heart begin to turn against another Christian, this is the time to turn to the many commands to love one another. Allow the Bible to convict you of love’s necessity.” —*Thomas Brooks*