



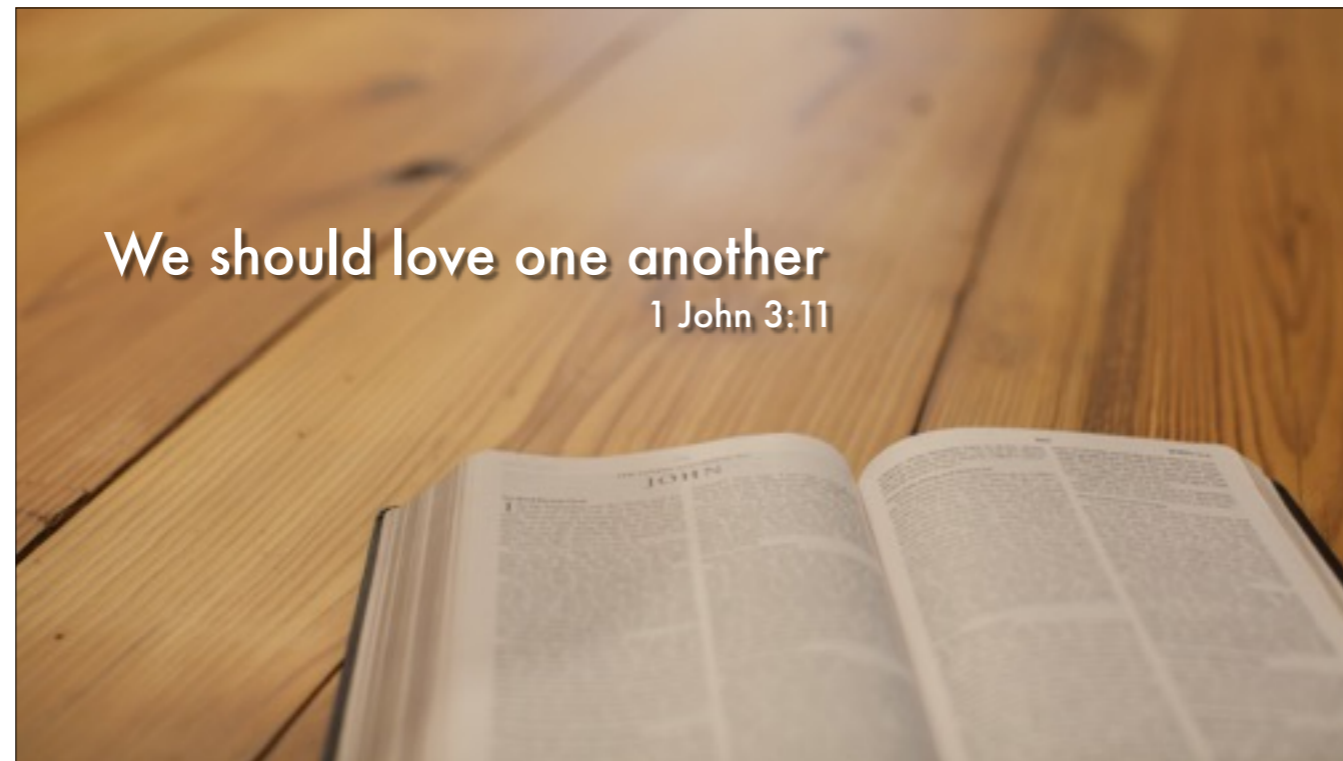
- Brotherly love



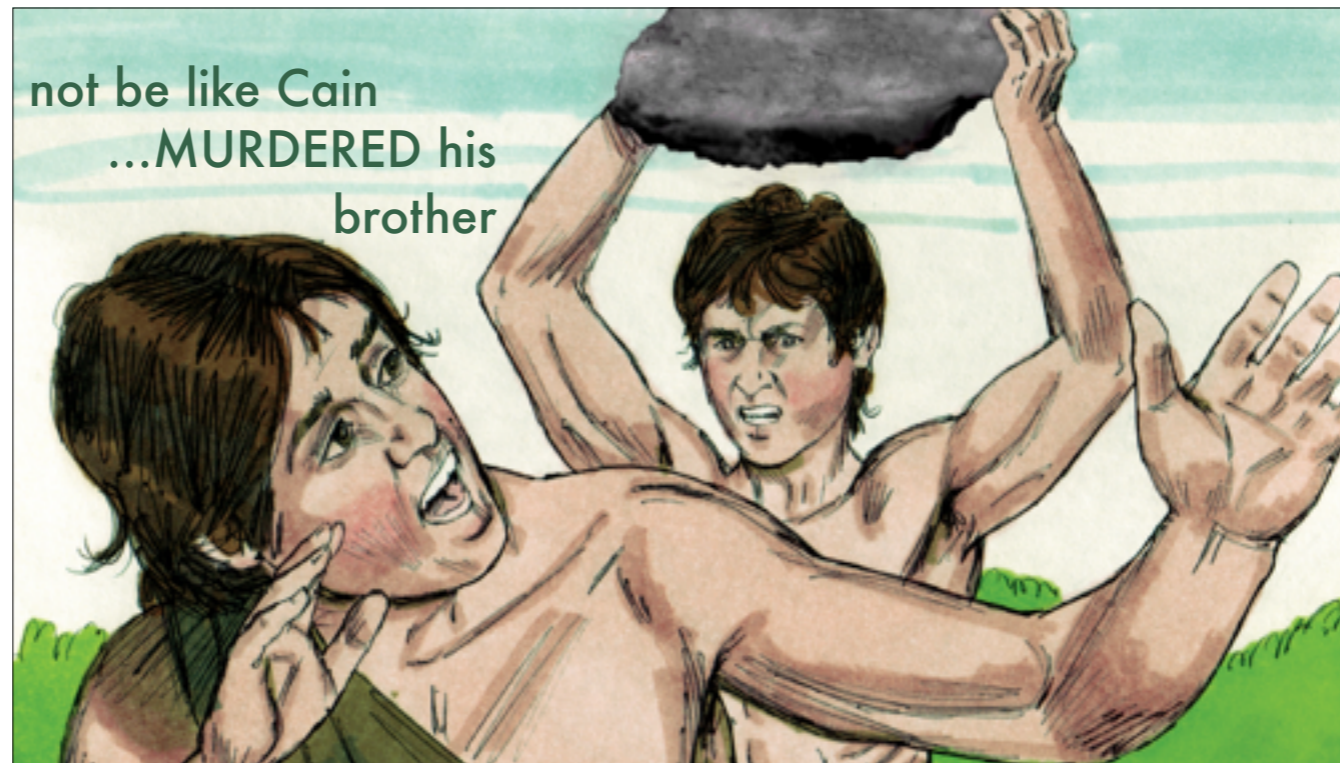
BROTHERLY AFFECTION



- What does brotherly love have to do with faith?
- Who I am
- How I should act/live/walk
- Now, brotherly love?



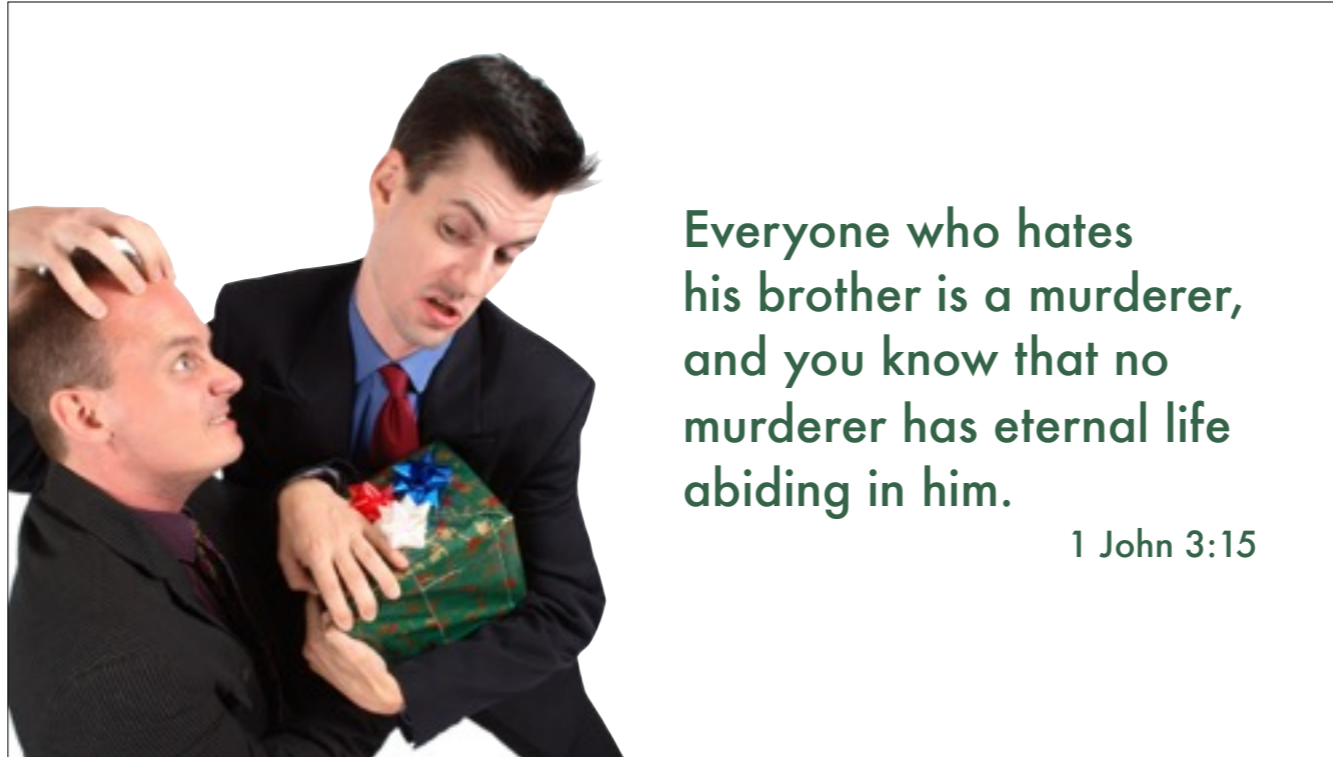
- 1 John 3:11: For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.



- 12 We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and **murdered his brother**. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous.



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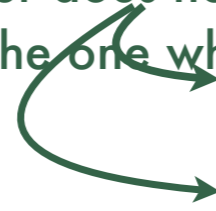
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**love his brother**



Vital: Being a child of God is NOT just about faith and my relationship with God.

moving pieces...

## **children of God**

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Children of God:

Faith, Righteousness

Relationship with my brothers and sisters in Christ.

## **children of God**

→ **practice righteousness**

→ **love his brother**

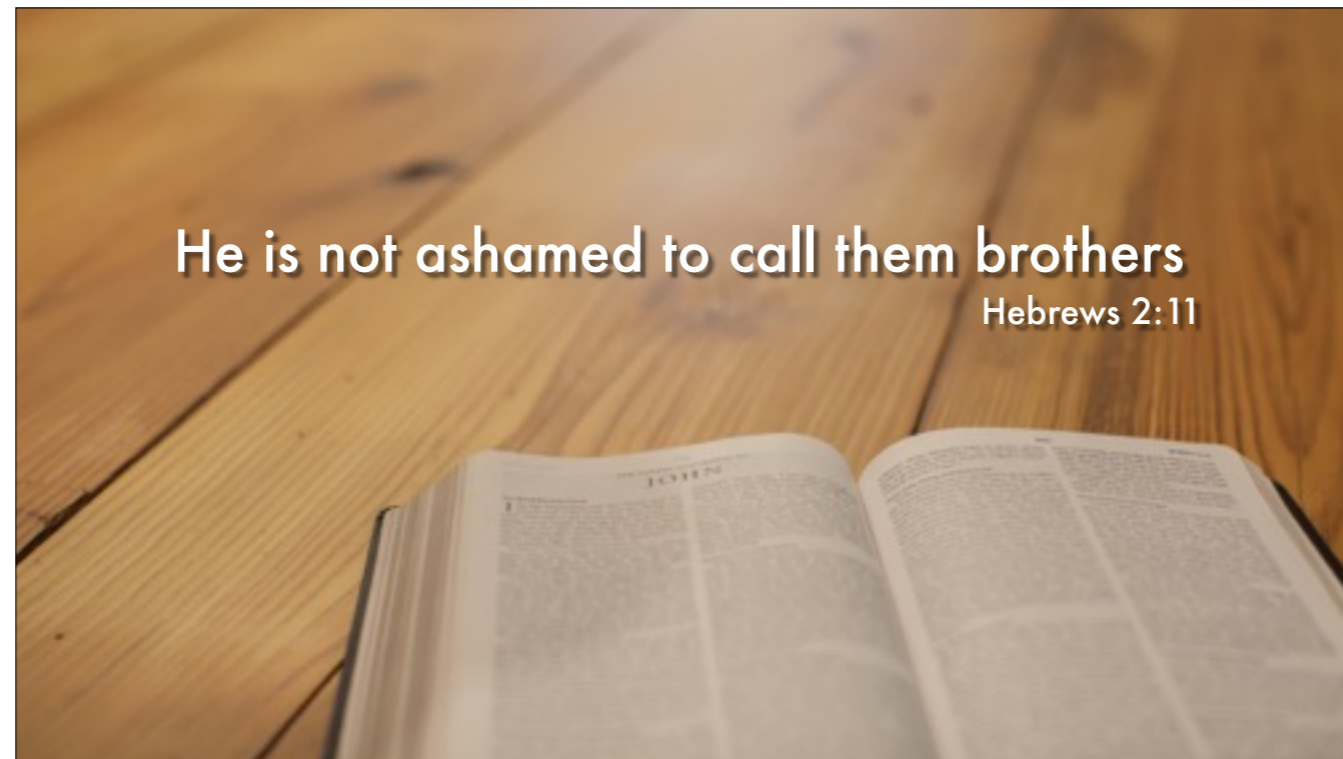


If I do not love my brother; not just in words but in my actions, then I hate him. I murder him. I am Cain-like.

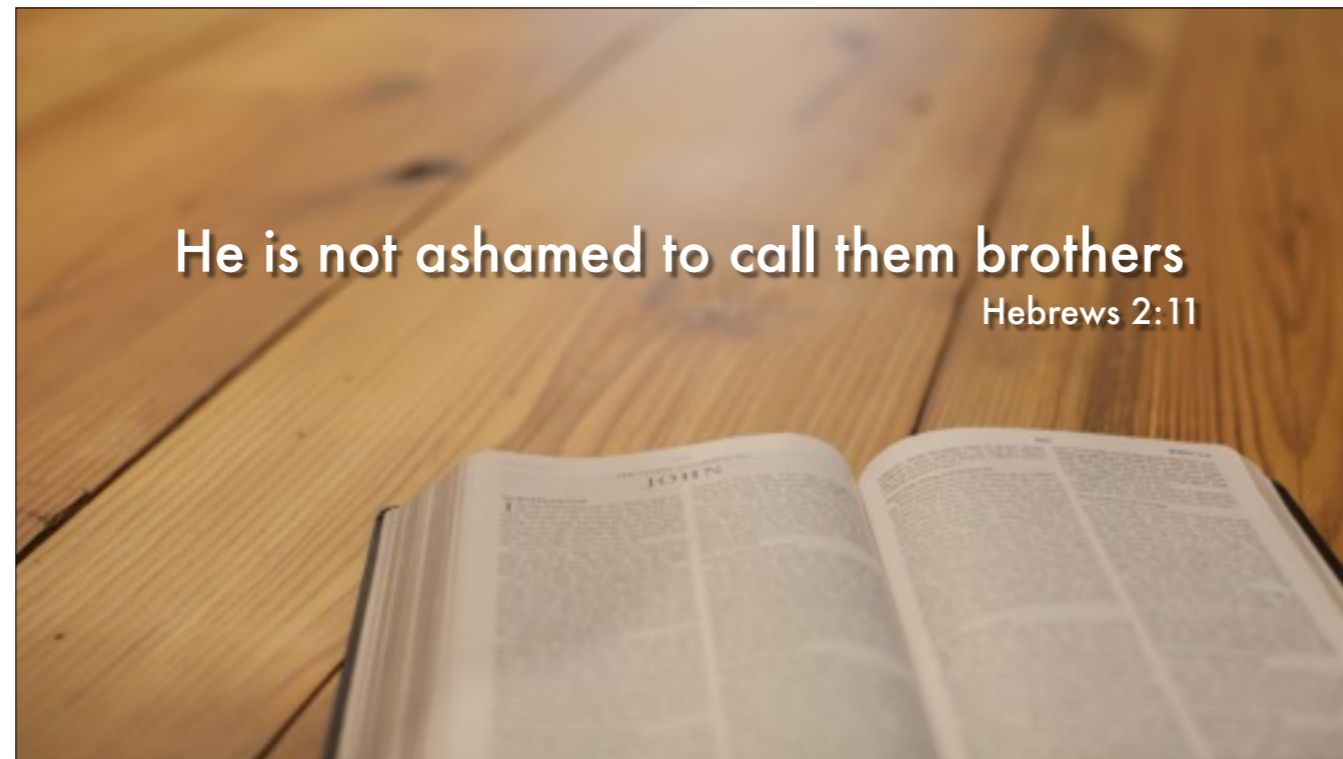
And my relationship with my Father is not just affected, but broken!



- What does brotherly love mean to me?

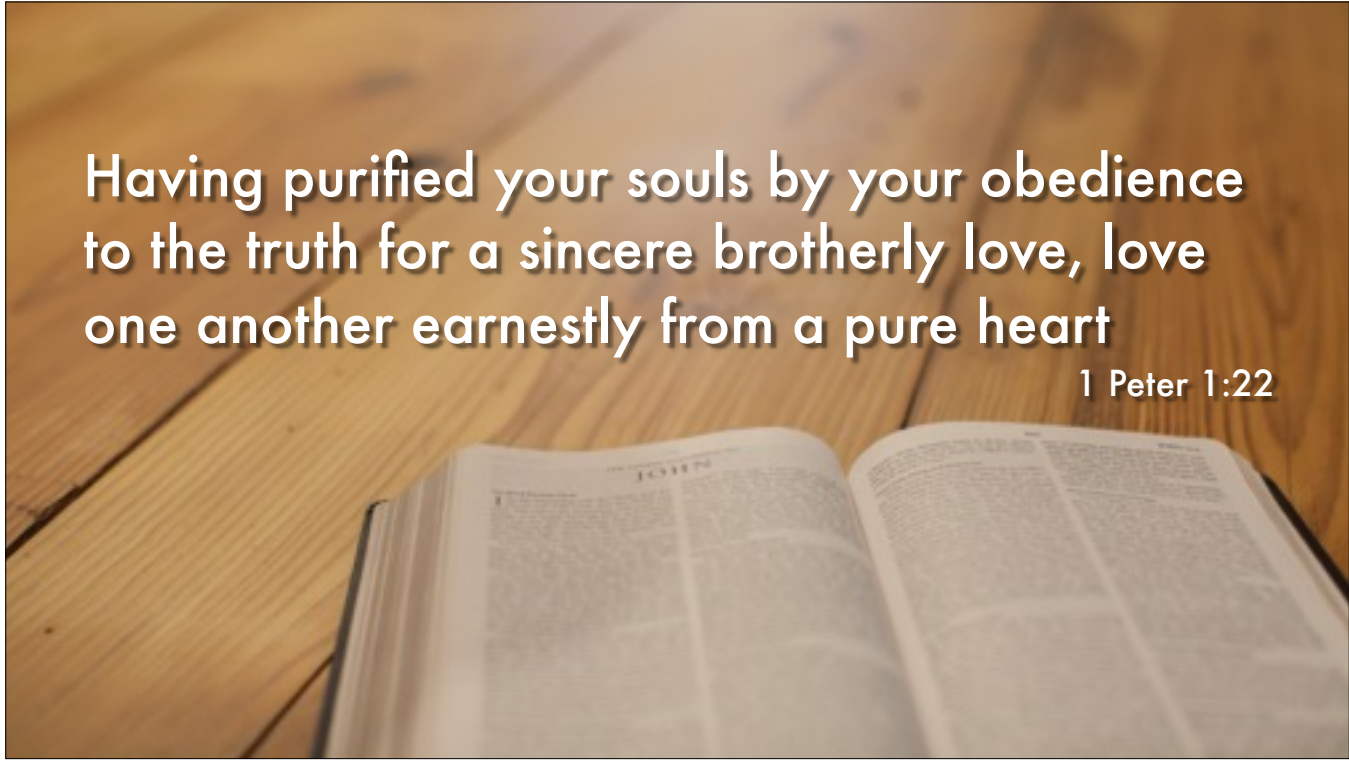


- Hebrews 2:11: For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,



- Hebrews 2:14: partook of same things... destroy devil
- LOVE!
  - Rebellious, sinful, enemies
  - Yet identified with us
  - Saves us
  - Gave himself for us.

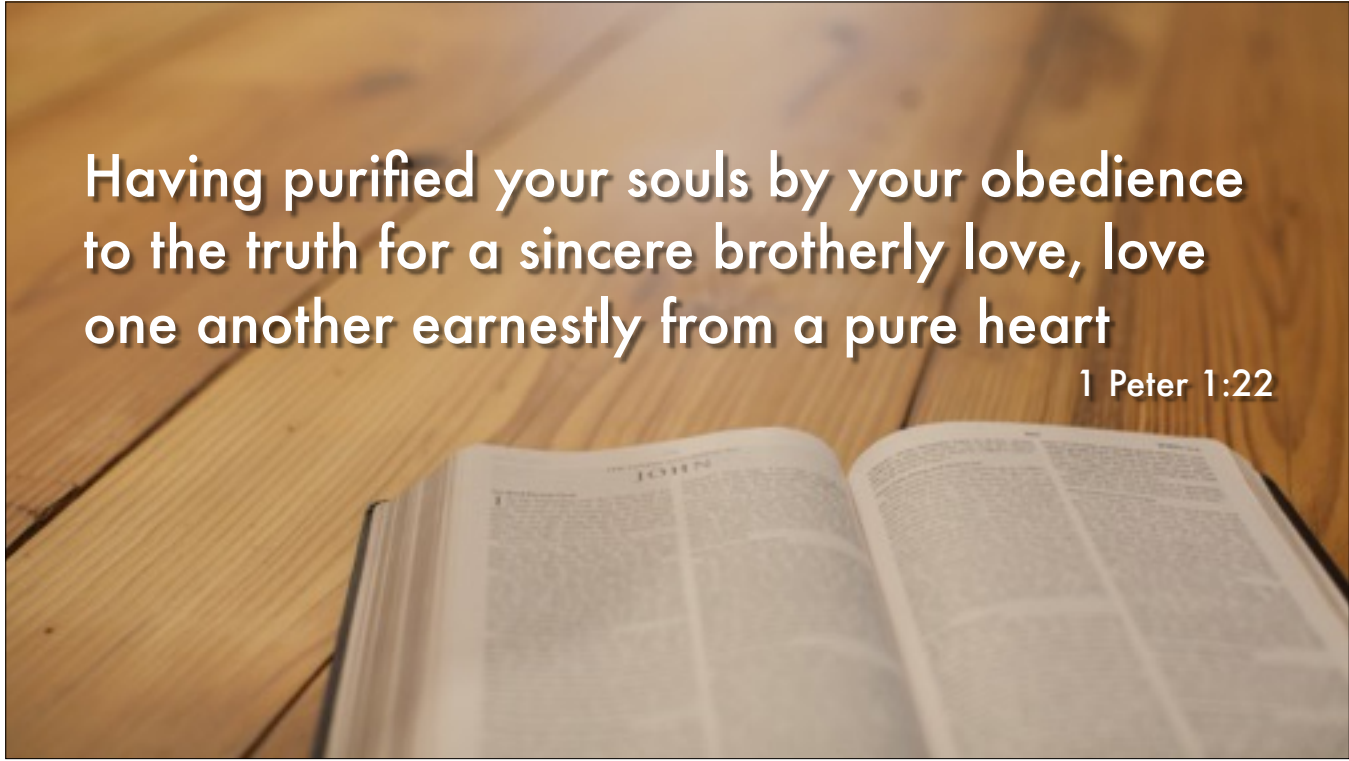


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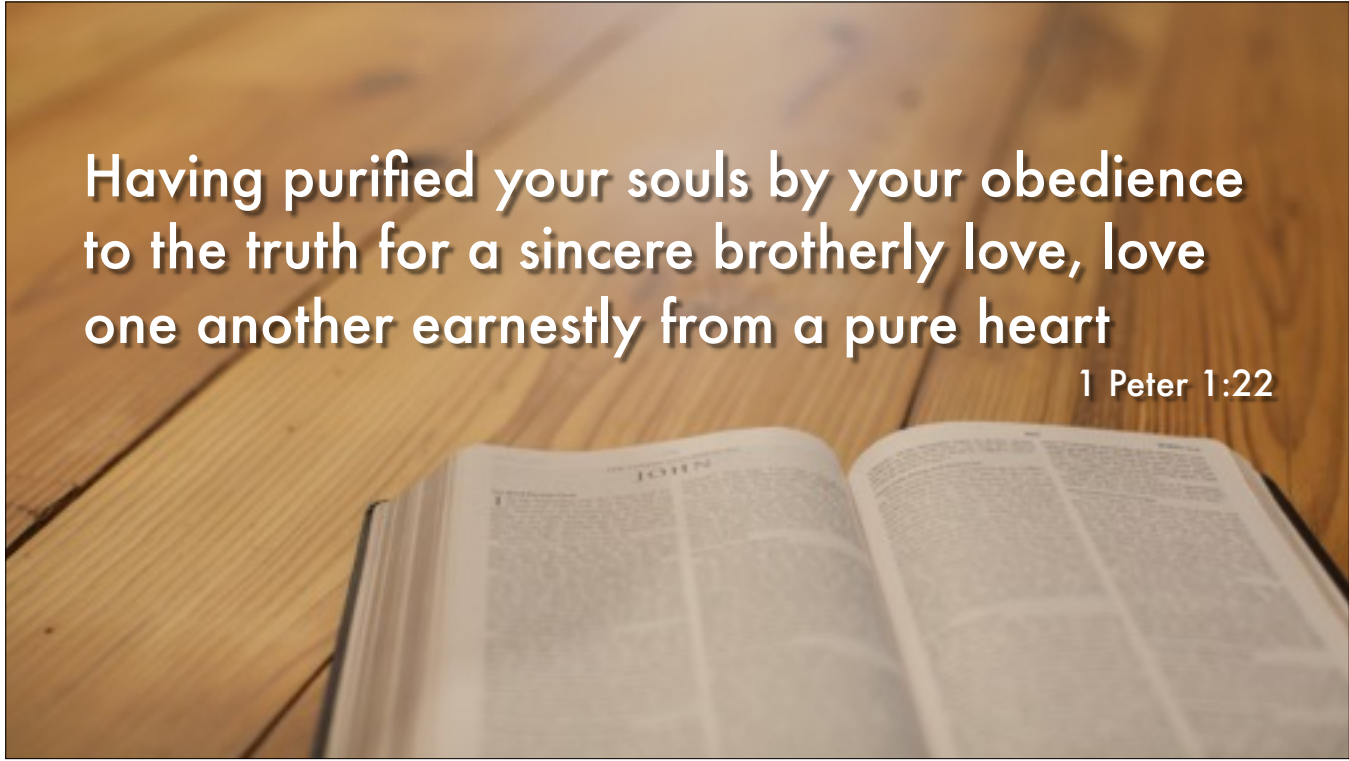
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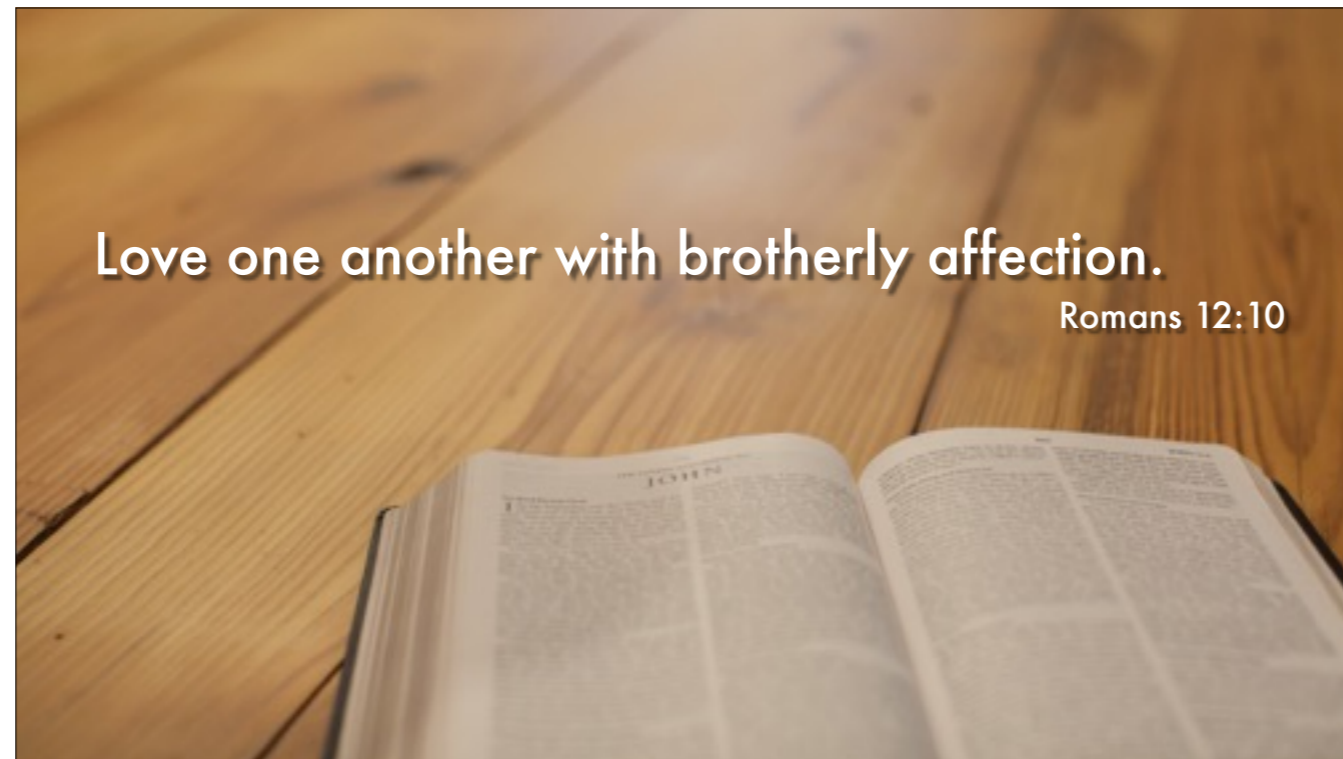
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- In Action
- In deed and in truth: 1 John 3:18
- Make these practical in your life... what am I doing for those who surround me this morning? Today, tomorrow, week



- Romans 12:10: Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.



Outdo one another in  
**showing honor.**  
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- How can I show honor?
- Prayer, edification, encouragement, comfort, admonishment



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- Philippians 2:3-4: Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

# Contribute to the needs of the saints

Romans 12:13



- Romans 12:13: Contribute to the needs of the saints
- Certainly, and primarily, money.
- Time
- Benevolence: often discuss rules;
  - more often fail (personally) to give.



seek to show  
**hospitality**  
Romans 12:13



- Romans 12:13: to show hospitality.
- Develop relationships beyond “church”
- Involved in each other’s lives
- Open home’s to each other: messy & real!

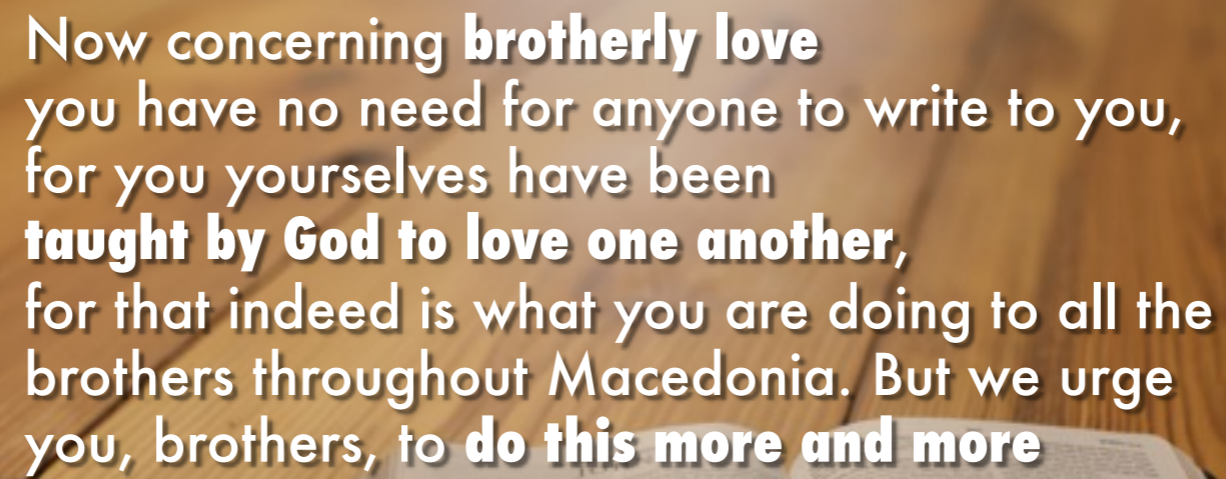


- Romans 12:15: Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.
- Really involved in each other's lives; sharing
- Family



Live in **harmony**  
with one another.  
Romans 12:16

- Romans 12:16: Live in harmony with one another.
- Contrast with the chaos of 1 Corinthians
- Working together
- Studying together
- Striving together through the vicissitudes of life.

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Love one another with brotherly affection.

Romans 12:10

- How are you demonstrating your love for those around you today?
- Loving one another! Great
- As Paul... do more and more.

**We implore you on  
behalf of Christ,  
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20



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## Philadelphia

2 Peter 1.7

Synopsis: What does brotherly love have to do with my faith? In this lesson we are reminded that our faith is more than just about who we are, and what we do. It's also about my relationship with my brothers and sisters in Christ. Romans 12 provides a few important thoughts about the practical aspects of brotherly love so that we love in deed and in truth.

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**"Let all that you do be done with love."**