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COMMUNITY WITH CHRIST

Deepen Your Faith

In Resemblance of Me Journal

Resources for travelers journeying with Christ into their community.

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This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. John 15:12 (ESV)

OBEDIENCE

obedience

[oh-bee-dee-uh ns]

noun

- the state or quality of being obedient.
- the act or practice of obeying; dutiful or submissive compliance.
- 3. a sphere of authority or jurisdiction.*

Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will **obey** my teaching." John 14:23 (NIV)

*Character trait definitions from Google online.

Love and Obedience go hand in hand. Everything Jesus did came from His love for us and obedience to His Father. And we are called to do the same.

These character traits of Christ set the foundation for "In Resemblance of Me." It enables us to appreciate our brothers and sisters in the Lord and of course, our family, along with others around us. Love is taking the initiative to build up and meet the needs of others without expecting anything in return.



Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

1 Corinthians 13:4-6 (ESV)

Practical Ways to Love... (list five practical examples to love/serve your family)

Put a mark by the three you'd like to try and do this coming week.

patience

PATIENCE

patience
[pey-shuh ns]

noun

- the quality of being patient, as the bearing of provocation, annoyance, misfortune, or pain, without complaint, loss of temper, irritation, or the like.
- an ability or willingness to suppress restlessness or annoyance when confronted with delay.
- 3. quiet, steady perseverance; even-tempered care; diligence.

We urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.

1 Thessalonians 5:14 (ESV)

Patience is showing tolerance and fortitude to others, and even accepting difficult situations from them and God without making demands and conditions.

Beautiful Stranger - Rebecca St. James

"Do you see me?" The questions in her eyes "Do you relate to the pain I can't disguise?" Oh, look beyond what you see The outside is not all there is Won't You tell me now when did I see You in need of water? Oh, and tell me now, when did I see You Hungry on the street? God, I hear You calling out to me In the voices of the least of these Calling me to reach beyond my world To the beautiful stranger Beautiful Stranger He does not look like everyone else

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Patience Journal Prompts

What does being patient mean to you? Name one thing you are having a hard time being patient about right now.

Think about a time you've been rewarded by being patient with someone you love. Write down any lessons you learned that you want to make sure you remember when serving others.

What would cause you to become impatient with someone you're serving?

List ways you would handle becoming impatient with someone you're serving.

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