## **Defining Love-Love Does Not Seek Its Own**

1 Corinthians 13:5 does not behave rudely, <u>does not seek its own</u>, is not provoked, thinks no evil;

James 3:14-16 But if you have bitter envy and <u>self-seeking</u> in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. <u>For where envy and self-seeking exist</u>, confusion and every evil thing are there.

Philippians 2:3-4 <u>Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit</u>, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. <u>Let each of you look out not only for his own interests</u>, but also for the interests of others.

## God Loves Us So Much He Gave

John 3:16 For <u>God so loved the world that He gave</u> His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

1 John 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

## **Not Being Selfish In The Family**

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, <u>love your wives</u>, <u>just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her</u>,

Ephesians 5:28-29 So husbands ought to <u>love their own wives as their own bodies</u>; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but <u>nourishes and cherishes it</u>, just as the Lord does the church.

Titus 2:4 that they admonish the young women to <u>love their husbands</u>, to <u>love their children</u>,

Proverbs 31:20-21 She extends her hand to the poor, Yes, she reaches out her hands to the needy. 21 She is not afraid of snow for her household, For all her household is clothed with scarlet.

Proverbs 31:27 <u>She watches over the ways of her household, And does not eat the bread of idleness</u>.

Ephesians 6:4 And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

1 John 3:18 My little children, <u>let us not love in word or in tongue</u>, <u>but in deed</u> and in truth.

## **Loving Enough To Give To Our Brethren**

1 John 3:11 For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, <u>that we</u> should love one another,

1 John 3:16-17 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. <u>And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren</u>. 17 But <u>whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?</u>

Galatians 6:2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.