

*Paul's Letter to the Romans: Pursuing Righteousness from God*

**"The Love Factor"**

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Romans 12:9-13

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- A. The Bible makes it clear that we must love people \_\_\_\_\_, and not just love humanity in \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. In the rest of chapter 12, Paul gives many specific \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that constitute what real and sincere love looks like.
- C. The first words of verse 9 are more like a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ for the section.
- D. In the second part of verse 9, Paul says that sincere love "detests \_\_\_\_\_, but clings to \_\_\_\_\_."
- E. Verse 10 features two commands that focus on the " \_\_\_\_\_ " relationship among believers.
1. The first command is to "be \_\_\_\_\_ to one another."
  2. The second command is to " \_\_\_\_\_ one another in showing \_\_\_\_\_."
- F. The six commands of verses 11 and 12 point toward the fact that sincere love must " \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ on."
- G. In verse 13, Paul reminds us that sincere love \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of others.
1. There is a difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. In verses 14-16, Paul shifts his focus from relationship with other \_\_\_\_\_ to the way sincere love can be shown to \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Paul's commands in verse 14 remind us of \_\_\_\_\_ teaching from the \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_.
1. Like Jesus, Paul calls on us to \_\_\_\_\_ the other \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. In verse 15, Paul reminds us that sincere love requires us to identify with others in their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- K. Paul's command in verse 16 to " \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ " summaries the overall thrust of these verses.
1. Perhaps the greatest obstacle to living in harmony with others is \_\_\_\_\_.
- L. Paul ends his brief outline of the shape of sincere love by returning to our proper response to \_\_\_\_\_ and persecution.
- M. Christians must do more than avoid retaliation, they must strive to do what is \_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of \_\_\_\_\_.
- N. In verse 19, Paul instructs believers to not \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_.
- O. Paul ends with an appropriate bottom line: conquer \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_.
1. The greatest example we have is what \_\_\_\_\_ did on the \_\_\_\_\_.
- P. Booker T. Washington said, "I will permit no man to narrow and degrade my soul by making me \_\_\_\_\_ him."
- Q. E. Stanley Jones, "Increase the \_\_\_\_\_." (of \_\_\_\_\_ )
- R. Richard Halverson, "Love is a mighty \_\_\_\_\_ - the mightiest \_\_\_\_\_ in history."

Answer Key: A. specifically, general. B. attitudes, behaviors. C. title, heading. D. evil, good. E. one, another. E.1. devoted. E.2. outdo, honor. F. keep, keeping. G. ministers, needs. G.1. hospitality, entertaining. H. believers, non-Christians. I. Jesus', Sermon, Mount. I.1. turn, cheek. J. joys, sorrows. K. live, harmony. K.1. pride. L. mistreatment. M. right, everybody. N. seek, revenge. O. evil, good. O.1. Jesus, cross. P. hate. Q. dosage, love. R. force, force.