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1 Cor. 13:1-3- ¹ If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have *the gift of prophecy* and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ And if I give all my possessions to feed *the poor*, and if I surrender my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.

John 13:35-By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have **love** for one another.

1 Cor. 6:7-Actually, then, it is already a **defeat** for you, that you have lawsuits with one another. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be defrauded?

Gal. 6:10-So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and **especially to those who are of the household of the faith.**

Lev. 19:18-You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am the Lord.

1 John 4:8-The one who does not love does not know God, for **God is love.**

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2 Cor. 8:1-5- ¹ Now, brethren, we *wish to* make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, ² that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance

of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality. ³ For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, *they gave* of their own accord, ⁴ begging us with much urging for the favor of participation in the support of the saints, ⁵ and *this*, not as we had expected, but they first gave themselves to the Lord and to us by the will of God.

Philip. 3:12-13-¹² **Not that I have already obtained *it* or have already become perfect**, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. ¹³ Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead.

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Rom. 15:20-And thus I **aspired** to preach the gospel, not where Christ was *already* named, so that I would not build on another man's foundation

2 Cor. 5:9-Therefore we also have as our **ambition**, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him.

Acts 22:2-And when they heard that he was addressing them in the Hebrew dialect, they became even more **quiet**; and he said

2 Thess. 3:12- Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in **quiet** fashion and eat their own bread.

1 Tim. 2:12-But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain **quiet**.

Acts 21:40-When he had given him permission, Paul, standing on the stairs, motioned to the people with his hand; and when there was **a great hush**, he spoke to them in the Hebrew dialect, saying...

1 Cor. 14:34-The women are to keep **silent** in the churches; for they are not permitted to speak, but are to subject themselves, just as the Law also says.

1 Pet. 3:3-4-³Your adornment must not be *merely* external—braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; ⁴but *let it be* the **hidden person of the heart**, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.

John 21:18-22-¹⁸ Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to gird yourself and walk wherever you wished; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will gird you, and bring you where you do not wish to go.” ¹⁹ Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, “Follow Me!” ²⁰ Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following *them*; the one who also had leaned back on His bosom at the supper and said, “Lord, who is the one who betrays You?” ²¹ So Peter seeing him said to Jesus, “Lord, and what about this man?” ²² Jesus said to him, **“If I want him to remain until I come, what is *that* to you?”** You follow Me!”

Matt. 13:55-Is not this **the carpenter’s son**? Is not His mother

called Mary, and His brothers, James and Joseph and Simon and Judas?

Acts 18:3-and because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them and they were working, for by trade they were **tent-makers**.

Paul's emphasis on manual labor does not follow the Greek model, which saw such labor as menial. Rather, it follows the Jewish model, which elevated the prominence of manual labor.

Eph. 4:28-He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his **own hands** what is good, so that he will have *something* to share with one who has need.

1 Tim. 5:8-But if anyone does not **provide for his own**, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Thess. 2:9-For you recall, brethren, our labor and hardship, *how* **working** night, and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

2 Thess. 3:8-12- ⁸ nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with labor and hardship we *kept* working night and day so that we would not be a burden to any of you; ⁹ not because we do not have the right *to this*, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, so that you would follow our example. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either. ¹¹ For we hear that some among you are leading an undisciplined life, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies. ¹² Now such

persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in quiet fashion and eat their own bread.

Nathaniel Philbrick: "The fall of 1623 marked the end of Plymouth's debilitating food shortages. For the last two planting seasons, the Pilgrims had grown crops communally—the approach first used at Jamestown and other English settlements. But as the disastrous harvest of the previous fall had shown, something drastic needed to be done to increase the annual yield. In April, Bradford had decided that each household should be assigned its own plot to cultivate, with the understanding that each family kept whatever it grew. The change in attitude was stunning. Families were now willing to work much harder than they had ever worked before. In previous years, the men had tended the fields while the women tended the children at home. "The women now went willingly into the field," Bradford wrote, "and took their little ones with them to set corn." The Pilgrims had stumbled on the power of capitalism. Although the fortunes of the colony still teetered precariously in the years ahead, the inhabitants never again starved." **Nathaniel Philbrick, *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War* (New York: Penguin Books, 2007, paperback edition), page 165.**

John 16:12-13-¹² "I have many **more things** to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. ¹³ But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is **to come**.

John 14:26-But the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He will **teach you** all things, and **remind** you of all that I said to you.

1 Cor. 7:10-But to the married I give instructions, **not I, but the Lord**, that the wife should not leave her husband.

1 Cor. 7:12-But to the rest **I say, not the Lord**, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he must not divorce her.

2 Pet. 3:15-16-¹⁵ and regard the patience of our Lord *as* salvation; just as also our beloved brother **Paul**, according to the **wisdom given him, wrote to you**,¹⁶ as also in all *his* letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

1 Thess. 4:1-Finally then, brethren, we request and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that **as you received from us instruction** as to how you ought to walk and please God (just as you actually do walk), that you excel still more.

1 Thess. 4:8-So, **he who rejects this is not rejecting man but the God** who gives His Holy Spirit to you.

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1 Cor. 6:1-Does any one of you, when he has a case against his neighbor, dare to go to law **before the unrighteous** and not before the saints?

1 Cor. 6:6-but brother goes to law with brother, and that before **unbelievers?**

1 Tim. 3:7-And he must have **a good reputation with those outside the church**, so that he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

Eph. 4:28-He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, **so that he will have something to share with one who has need.**