## LIVING LOVINGLY The Ultimate Lifestyle - Part 4 of 4

And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13

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WHAT LOVE IS
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Above all, be loving. This ties everything together perfectly.  Col. 3:14 (GW)
2. LOVE IS
Dear children, let us stop just saying we love each other; let us really show it by our actions.  1 John 3:18
GOD'S PLAN FOR A LOVING LIFESTYE
1. God
I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself. Jer. 31:3 (NLT)
2. WE
Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.  John 13:34-35 (NLT)
3. Together
Through Christians like yourselves gathered in churches, this extraordinary plan of God is becoming known and talked about even among the angels! Eph. 3:10 (Mes)

## HOW TO DEVELOP A LOVING LIFESTYLE

1. ACCEPT OTHERS
Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.  Rom. 15:7
2. COMMIT YOURSELF
In Christ, we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.  Rom. 12:5
3. ENCOURAGE OTHERS
Therefore <u>encourage</u> one another and <u>build each other up</u> , just a in fact you are doing. 1 Thes. 5:11
THREE FACTS OF LIFE
> Everybody
> Everybody
> Everybody
If you love someone you will always believe in him, and always expect the best of him.  1 Cor. 13:7 (LB)
4. SERVE PEOPLE
Each one should use whatever gift he has received to <u>serve others</u> , faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.  1 Peter 4:10
5. Forgive others
Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.  Col. 3:1
6. SHARE CHRIST
Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.  1 Peter 3:15-16