BUILDING UP "ONE ANOTHER"

I. "One Another" ATTITUDES

A. Love one another

Romans 13:8 Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to **love one another**, for he who loves his fellow man has fulfilled the law. (See John 13:34-35; 15:12, 17).

B. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love

Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

C. Be of the same mind with one another

Romans 12:16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

Romans 15:5 May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,

D. Bear with one another

Ephesians 4:2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Colossians 3:12-13 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 **Bear with** each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

E. Submit to one another

Ephesians 5:21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

F. Be kind/compassionate to one another

Ephesians 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

G. Be humble toward one another

1 Peter 5:5 All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

II. "One Another" ACTIVITIES

A. Edification--of everyone

1. Build up one another

Romans 15:2 Each of us should please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.

Ephesians 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for **building** others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. (Also 1 Thes 5:11).

2. Do good to one another

1 Thessalonians 5:15 See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another...

3. *Greet* one another

Romans 16:16 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send greetings.

4. Honor one another

Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

5. Serve one another

Galatians 5:13 You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. (See 1 Peter 4:10).

John 13:14: If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

6. Stimulate one another to love and good deeds

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. 25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (See Hebrews 3:13.)

7. Confess your sins to one another

<u>James 5:16</u> Therefore **confess your sins** to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

8. Speak the truth to one another

Ephesians 4:25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for vwe are members one of another. (See 4:15)

B. Instruction--of everyone

1. Instruct one another

Romans 15:14 I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, complete in knowledge and competent to **instruct** one another.

2. Teach one another

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you **teach** and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

3. Speak to one another in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs (Eph. 5:18-21)

C. Support--of the hurting

1. Bear one another's burdens

Galatians 6:2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

2. Encourage one another

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

3. Comfort one another

2 Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, **comfort** one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. (Also 1 Thes 4:18).

4. Pray for one another

<u>James 5:16</u> Therefore confess your sins to each other and **pray** for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

D. Acceptance--of those who differ

Romans 14:1 Accept him whose faith is weak, without passing judgment on disputable matters.

Romans 15:7 Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

E. **Tolerance**--of the immature

Ephesians 4:2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

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F. Correction--of the wandering

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and **admonish** one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

2 Thessalonians 3:14-15 If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of him. Do not associate with him, in order that he may feel ashamed. 15 Yet do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.

G. Restoration--of the fallen

1. Forgive one another

Colossians 3:13 Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

2. Restore (one another)

Galatians 6:1 Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should **restore** him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.