

# Life in the Family

How Jesus Prepares  
Us for Kingdom Life

One Another  
and Each Others

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# One Anothers / Each Others

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Have you ever wondered how we're to live in the family of God? A few years ago at church we had a series on *Life Rules* that had us look at the rules we follow in our lives, especially in our families. But what "rules" does God give us for living in *His* family? If He's our Father and we're His kids, we should reflect Him as we interact with others. Since Jesus is His Son, and we're in Jesus, we should reflect Him as well.

What this study does is have us look at all the *one anothers* and *each others* that are in the New Testament, both in the Gospels and in the apostles' letters. The first two sections include references about how we're to *interact* with one another/each other. The last two sections include references about how we're to *speak* to one another/each other. See what observations you can make, discover the trends you observe, and then write what you see in the left column.

If you're a visual person, feel free to use color to highlight these trends. Once you've worked through the verses, summarize what you've found on the last page. Then the real work begins—living this way. Look for another person to encourage you on this walk with the Father.

*You can either print out this study so you can fill in your answers, or you can save the PDF to your computer and use the typing option available on most PDF programs to record your answers and input.*

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## Life in the Family—One Anothers / Each Others


### One Anothers how to interact with one another

While only one or two verses are shown, be sure to understand the context of what Jesus or the writers of the New Testament are saying. Also, since “love one another/each other” is used so often, be sure you define for yourself what the writer is trying to tell us. It’s not the friendship type of love or romantic love; it’s an action type of love that is doing what’s best for another person. Paul describes it in 1 Corinthians 13.

	<p><a href="#">John 13:14</a> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash <b>one another's</b> feet.</p> <p><a href="#">John 13:34</a> "A new command I give you: Love <b>one another</b>. As I have loved you, so you must love <b>one another</b>."</p> <p><a href="#">John 13:35</a> By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love <b>one another</b>."</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 12:10</a> Be devoted to <b>one another</b> in brotherly love. Honor <b>one another</b> above yourselves.</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 12:16</a> Live in harmony with <b>one another</b>. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 13:8</a> Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love <b>one another</b>, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law.</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 14:13</a> Therefore let us stop passing judgment on <b>one another</b>. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in your brother's [sister's] way.</p>
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### One Another how to interact with one another

	<p><a href="#">Romans 15:7</a> Accept <b>one another</b>, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 15:14</a> I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, complete in knowledge and competent to instruct <b>one another</b>.</p> <p><a href="#">Romans 16:16</a> Greet <b>one another</b> with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send greetings.</p> <p><a href="#">1 Corinthians 1:10</a> I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with <b>one another</b> so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought.</p> <p><a href="#">1 Corinthians 16:20</a> All the brothers here send you greetings. Greet <b>one another</b> with a holy kiss.</p> <p><a href="#">2 Corinthians 13:12</a> Greet <b>one another</b> with a holy kiss.</p> <p><a href="#">Galatians 5:13</a> You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve <b>one another</b> in love.</p> <p><a href="#">Ephesians 4:2</a> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with <b>one another</b> in love.</p>
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	<p><a href="#">Ephesians 4:32</a> Be kind and compassionate to <b>one another</b>, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.</p> <p><a href="#">Ephesians 5:19</a> Speak to <b>one another</b> with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord,</p> <p><a href="#">Ephesians 5:21</a> Submit to <b>one another</b> out of reverence for Christ.</p> <p><a href="#">Colossians 3:13</a> Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against <b>one another</b>. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.</p> <p><a href="#">Colossians 3:16</a> Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish <b>one another</b> with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.</p> <p><a href="#">1 Thessalonians 5:11</a> Therefore encourage <b>one another</b> and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.</p> <p><a href="#">Hebrews 3:13</a> But encourage <b>one another</b> daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.</p> <p><a href="#">Hebrews 10:24</a> And let us consider how we may spur <b>one another</b> on toward love and good deeds.</p>
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Hebrews 10:25 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.

James 4:11 Brothers, do not slander **one another**. Anyone who speaks against his brother or judges him speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it.

1 Peter 1:22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love **one another** deeply, from the heart.

1 Peter 3:8 Finally, all of you, live in harmony with **one another**; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.

1 Peter 4:9 Offer hospitality to **one another** without grumbling.

1 Peter 5:5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward **one another**, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

1 Peter 5:14 Greet **one another** with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

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1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with **one another**, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

1 John 3:11 This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love **one another**.

1 John 3:23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love **one another** as he commanded us.

1 John 4:7 Dear friends, let us love **one another**, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

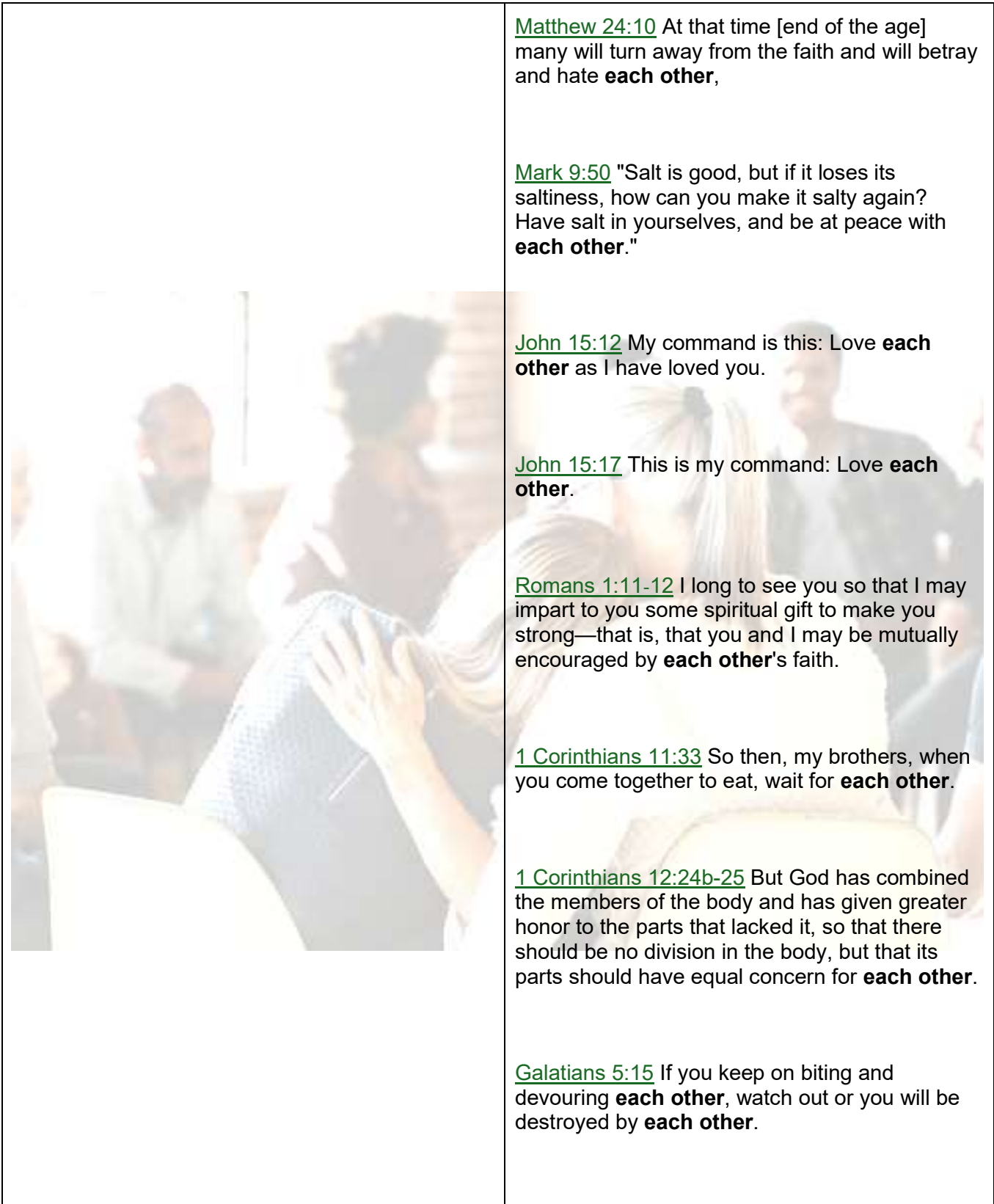
1 John 4:11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love **one another**.

1 John 4:12 No one has ever seen God; but if we love **one another**, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

2 John 1:5 And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love **one another**.

## Life in the Family—One Another / Each Other

### Each Other how to interact with each other



Matthew 24:10 At that time [end of the age] many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate **each other**,

Mark 9:50 "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with **each other**."

John 15:12 My command is this: Love **each other** as I have loved you.

John 15:17 This is my command: Love **each other**.

Romans 1:11-12 I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong—that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by **each other's** faith.

1 Corinthians 11:33 So then, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for **each other**.


1 Corinthians 12:24b-25 But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for **each other**.

Galatians 5:15 If you keep on biting and devouring **each other**, watch out or you will be destroyed by **each other**.



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	<p><u><a href="#">Galatians 5:17-18</a></u> For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with <b>each other</b>, so that you do not do what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Galatians 5:26</a></u> Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying <b>each other</b>.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Galatians 6:2</a></u> Carry <b>each other's</b> burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Ephesians 4:32</a></u> Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving <b>each other</b>, just as in Christ God forgave you.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Philippians 4:2</a></u> I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with <b>each other</b> in the Lord.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Colossians 3:9</a></u> Do not lie to <b>each other</b>, since you have taken off your old self with its practices</p> <p><u><a href="#">Colossians 3:13</a></u> Bear with <b>each other</b> and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.</p>
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1 Thessalonians 3:12 May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for **each other** and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.

1 Thessalonians 4:9 Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love **each other**.

1 Thessalonians 4:18 Therefore encourage **each other** with these words [about the Rapture].

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

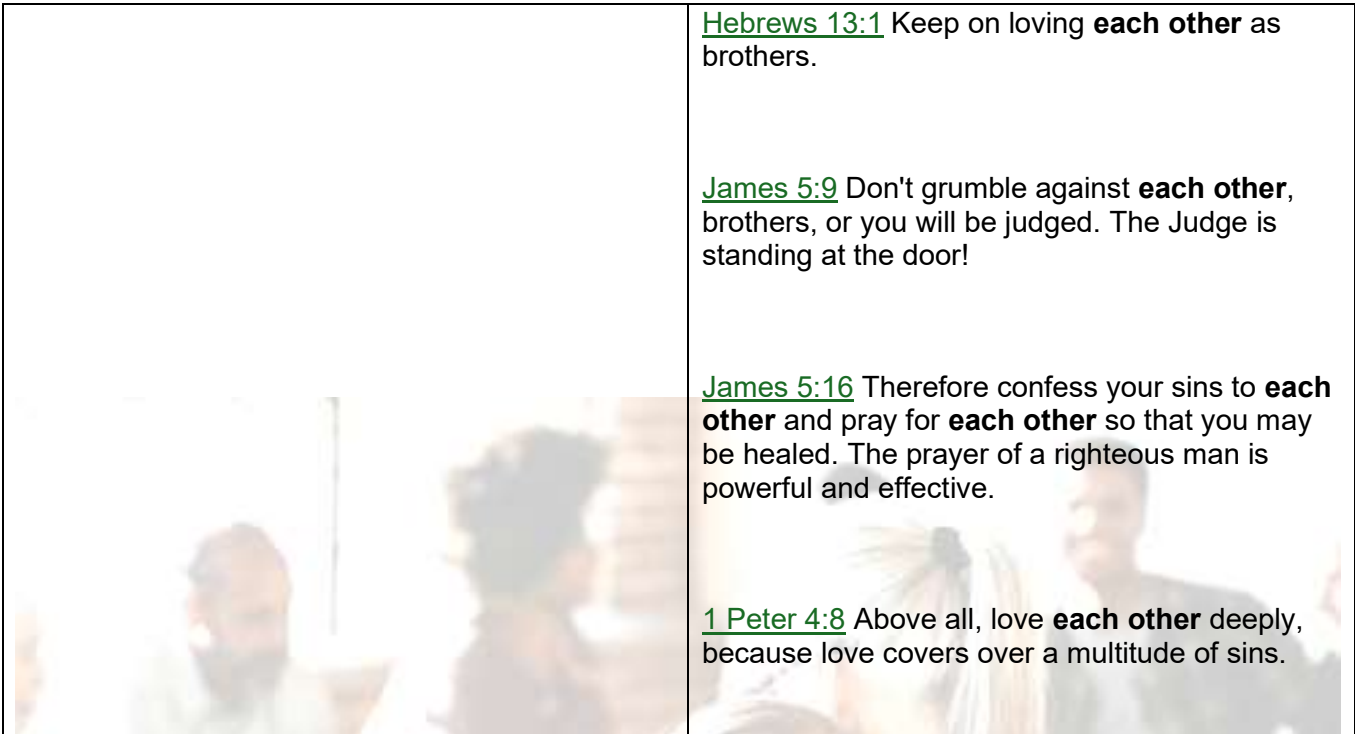
1 Thessalonians 5:13 Hold them [those who are “over” you in the Lord] in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with **each other**.

1 Thessalonians 5:15 Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to **each other** and *to everyone else* [referring to those not walking with the Lord yet].

2 Thessalonians 1:3 We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love every one of you has for **each other** is increasing.

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Hebrews 13:1 Keep on loving **each other** as brothers.

James 5:9 Don't grumble against **each other**, brothers, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

James 5:16 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.


1 Peter 4:8 Above all, love **each other** deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.



## Life in the Family—One Anothers / Each Others

### One Anothers how to speak with one another

In the NT *one another* is found 57 times; of these occurrences, 15 (or ¼ of the time) are when people talked with *one another*. Let's look at how Jesus wants us to speak with one another in the family of God. Again, make sure you understand the context of the verses we're reading, so you'll know what the author wants us to know.

	<p><a href="#">“Mark 8:15-17</a> Be careful,” Jesus warned them. “Watch out for the yeast of the Pharisees [the sin that puffs them up] and that of Herod.” They discussed this with <b>one another</b> and said, “It is because we have no bread.”</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 12:6-8</a> [Jesus is telling a parable.] “He had one left to send, a son, whom he loved. He sent him last of all saying, ‘They will respect my so.’” “But the tenants said to <b>one another</b>, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ So they took him and killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard.</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 14:3-5</a> [This happens just before Passover when Jesus is crucified.] While he [Jesus] was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. Some of those present were saying indignantly to <b>one another</b>, “Why this waste of perfume? It could have been sold for more than a year’s wages and the money given to the poor.” And they rebuked her harshly.</p> <p><a href="#">Luke 2:15-16</a> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to <b>one another</b>, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.” So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.</p>
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[Luke 6:10-12](#) He looked around at them all, and then said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He did so, and his hand was completely restored. But they were furious and began to discuss with **one another** what they might do to Jesus.

[Luke 8:24-25](#) The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. "Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples. In fear and amazement they asked **one another**, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him."


[John 7:33-35](#) Jesus said, "I am with you for only a short time, and then I go to the one who sent me. You will look for me, but you will not find me; and where I am, you cannot come. The Jews said to **one another**, "Where does this man intend to go that we cannot find him? Will he go where our people live scattered among the Greeks, and teach the Greeks?"

[John 11:55-56](#) When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, many went up from the country to Jerusalem for their ceremonial cleansing before the Passover. They kept looking for Jesus, and as they stood in the temple area they asked **one another**, "What do you think? Isn't he coming to the Feast at all?"

[John 12:18-19](#) Many people, because they had heard that he had given this miraculous sign [raising Lazarus from the dead], went out to meet him. So the Pharisees said to **one another**, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"

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[John 13:21-22](#) After he had said this [prediction of his betrayal], Jesus was troubled in spirit and testified, "I tell you the truth, one of you is going to betray me." His disciples stared at **one another**, at a loss to know which of them he meant.

[John 16:16-17](#) "In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me." Some of his disciples said to **one another**, "What does he mean by saying, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me,' and 'Because I am going to the Father'?"

[John 16:18-19](#) They kept asking, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We don't understand what he is saying. Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, "Are you asking **one another** what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me'?"

[John 19:23-24](#) When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom [like the curtain in front of the Holy of Holies]. "Let's not tear it," they said to **one another**. "Let's decide by lot who will get it." This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled which said, "They divided my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing." So this is what the soldiers did.

[Acts 2:11b-12](#) [Each one in the crowd at Pentecost hears the disciples speaking]—"we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked **one another**, "What does this mean?"

[Acts 26:30-31](#) The king rose, and with him the

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governor and Bernice and those witting with them. They left the room, and while talking with **one another**, they said, "This man [Paul] is not doing anything that deserves death or imprisonment."



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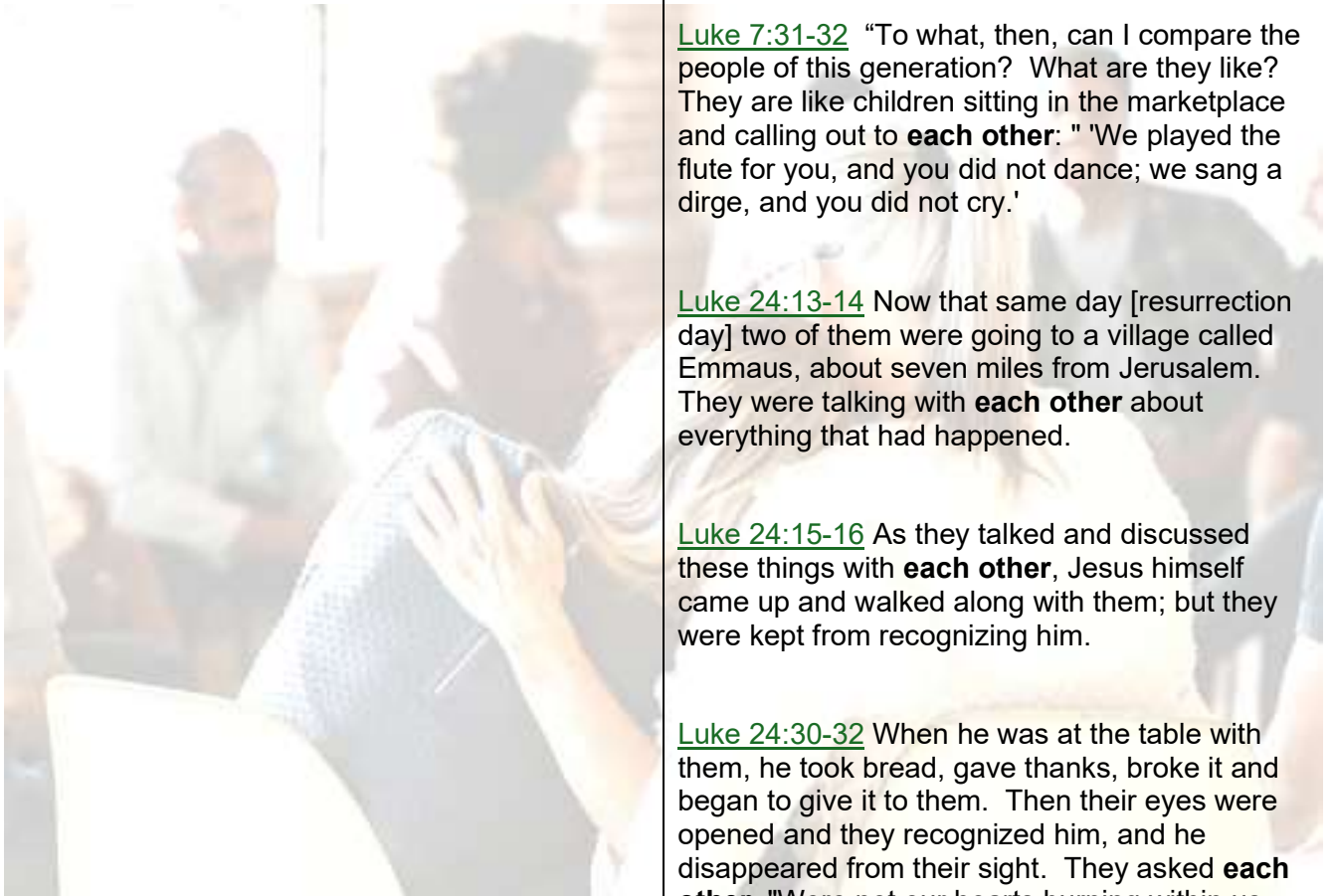
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	<p>[Jesus telling the same parable as in Mark 12] <a href="#">Matthew 21:37-39</a> "Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to <b>each other</b>, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.'"</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 1:25-27</a> "Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" the evil spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek. The people were all so amazed that they asked <b>each other</b>, "What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to evil spirits and they obey him."</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 4:39-41</a> He got up [from sleeping in a boat during a squall that just came up], rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith? They were terrified and asked <b>each other</b>, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 10:24b-27</a> But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." The disciples were even more amazed, and said to <b>each other</b>, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."</p> <p><a href="#">Mark 16:2-3</a> Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they [Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome] were on their way to the tomb and they asked <b>each other</b>, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"</p>
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[Luke 4:35-36](#) “Be quiet!” Jesus said sternly [to an evil spirit]. Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him. All the people were amazed and said to **each other**, “What is this teaching? With authority and power he gives orders to evil spirits and they come out!”

[Luke 7:31-32](#) “To what, then, can I compare the people of this generation? What are they like? They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling out to **each other**: “ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not cry.’”

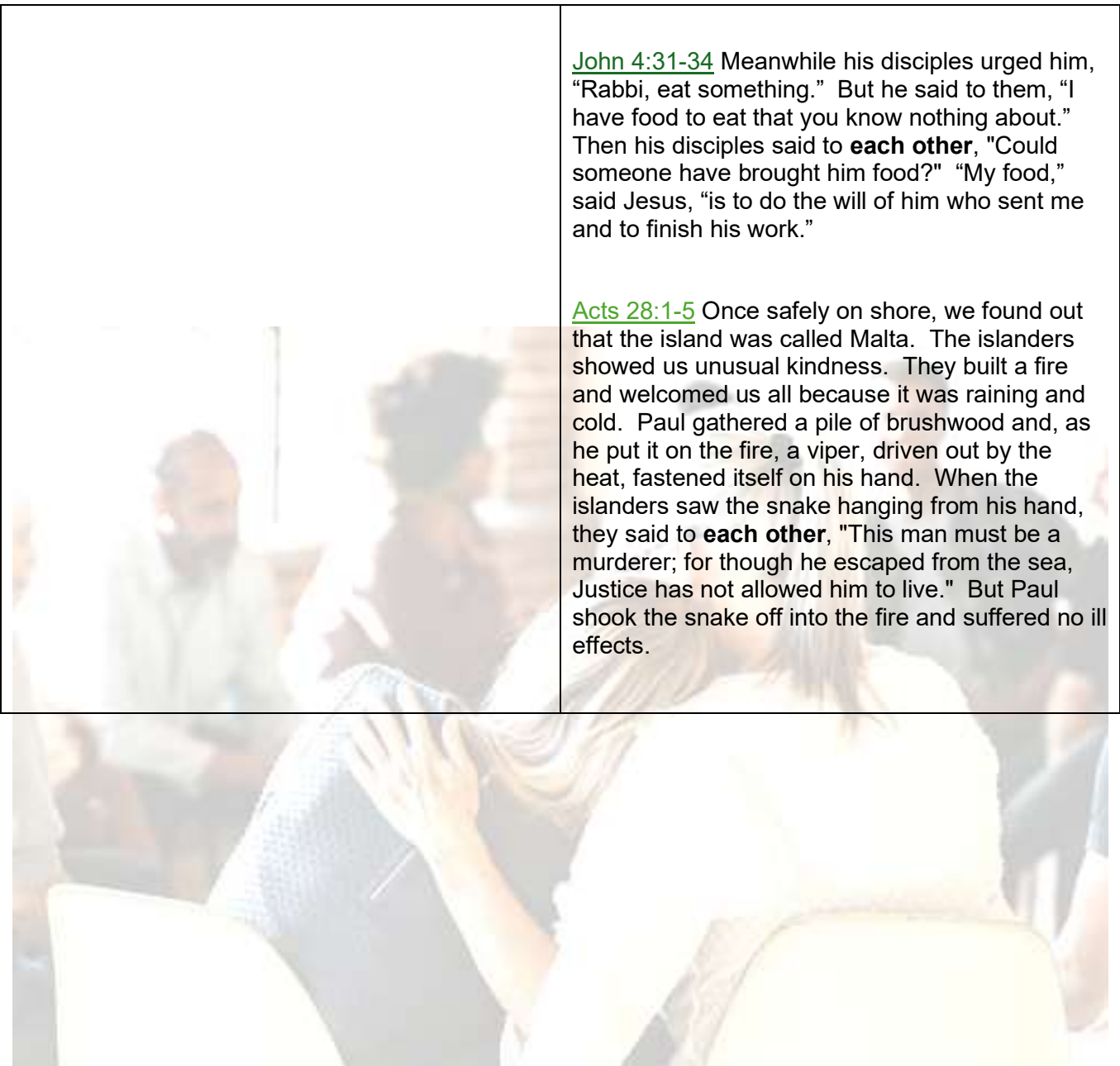
[Luke 24:13-14](#) Now that same day [resurrection day] two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with **each other** about everything that had happened.

[Luke 24:15-16](#) As they talked and discussed these things with **each other**, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him.

[Luke 24:30-32](#) When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked **each other**, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

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[John 4:31-34](#) Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about." Then his disciples said to **each other**, "Could someone have brought him food?" "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work."

[Acts 28:1-5](#) Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta. The islanders showed us unusual kindness. They built a fire and welcomed us all because it was raining and cold. Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and, as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand. When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to **each other**, "This man must be a murderer; for though he escaped from the sea, Justice has not allowed him to live." But Paul shook the snake off into the fire and suffered no ill effects.

## Life in the Family—So What?

So, what have you discovered from looking at the *one anothers* and *each others*, both in how you interact and how you speak?

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What changes are you going to begin taking because of what you've discovered?

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What are your first and second steps?

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If you haven't shared your observations and conclusions with anyone yet, be sure to do so soon. The Father wants us to be living in His family.