



The “ONE ANOTHER WAY”

“Be kindly devoted to one another in brotherly love”

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 AM

June 8, 2014

Scripture Reading: Rom 12:10, I Peter 1:22

Speaker: Brent Hunter

INTRO:

- A. Greek word “Allelon” is found _____ times in the NT.
- B. Sixteen times the command is “**L**_____ one another.”
- C. The other 42 times tells us **how** to love each other.
- D. **The results of obeying these passages are two-fold:**
 - 1. *Sweet Fellowship* (1 John 1:7).
 - 2. “The world will know that we are His **d**_____” (Jn 13: 34-35).
- E. Today: **“BE DEVOTED TO ONE ANOTHER IN BROTHERLY LOVE” (Rm 12:10).**

I. DEFINITIONS:

- A. “**Adelpos**” is translated **b**_____ love & used 230 times.
- B. Instead of function (roles), the focus is on **f**_____. This adds the dimension of *warmth, tenderness, caring, and loyalty*.
- C. “**Be Devoted**” = “Be kindly affectionate” (KJV). Heart-felt!

II. PRACTICAL STEPS FOR DEVELOPING FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS.

- A. **Take these scriptures seriously:** I Thess 4: 9-10, Heb 13: 1-3, I Peter 1:22-23.
- B. **Evaluate your attitudes and actions towards others.**
 - 1. “Rejoice with those who **r**_____, and weep with those who weep” (Rm 12:15).
 - 2. “*Confess* your **f**_____ one to the other” (Jas 5:16).

CONCLUSION:

- A. More and more let’s be involved and open and share our lives with “one another.”
- B. Let’s “Be kindly **a**_____ to one another in brotherly love” (Rm 12:10)!

MY NOTES

SCRAMBLED ANSWERS

family
affectionate
58
faults
rejoice
Love
brotherly
disciples

“I Have Finally Found a Church to Call Home”

By Ken Clark

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I have wanted to find a home church for decades.

I needed to avoid nicely veneered but unserious social clubs - churches made of people not comfortable sharing their needs for prayer, and not seriously interested in getting to the truth. It was tedious to share my heart and then suffer the advice given by those only having pat answers.

I also eventually tired of the anonymity of large churches, where it was less trouble to slip in, try to worship God while ignoring entertainment aimed at man, and then leave quickly to avoid the entanglements of human tradition.

When leading someone to Christ, there was no one church I could recommend wholeheartedly, it was frustrating to say the least. I hoped to find a church where I could join those gathered to sing out hymns directly to God Himself.

It was refreshing when I came to the Kirkland Church of Christ, and I saw hymnals and was surprised when the congregation just started singing A-Cappella. It struck me that this form of worship was what I read about in the Bible; "And when we'd sung a hymn...", instead of "when we cranked the amp up to 10." The new evangelist based everything on scripture, and was brimming with practical advice and insights, which the congregation happily began applying.

I have long been yearning to be with like-minded people, who genuinely like and appreciate each other in our earnest pursuit and worship of God; who are intent on learning how to please Him, being desirous of His hand in our lives for the perfecting of our character and hearts and minds. They were here!

I like the guidance of this church, where the elders are almost invisible, but are there subtly guiding the church, working out the practical details with much care and prayer. The elders are men not notable for flash or pizzazz, but known instead for taking more a role similar to the Holy Spirit, artfully arranging things so Christ has pre-eminence.

I like that our worship services are not about entertaining seekers. People want what we have when God has us. I cannot think of a more attractive people for visitors to see than those bearing the fruit of what God does in our lives. This is a family with people I know God has His hand on, and despite feeling creaky and rusty, I still want to be part of this movement of God.

And that point brings me to a comfort I now have: I want to bring newcomers to a church like THIS: where I can trust they will be welcomed, helped, loved, taught, and challenged to grow. Where they will find everyone here agreeing it is more important to BE saved than to ACT saved. And where everyone in this church family knows exactly how this thing called "rebirth" is accomplished - according to God's Holy Word, instead of popular and erroneous traditions or myths. This is where newcomers will see a people intent on loving God, concerned with worshipping Him as He desires - a collection of people frankly putting God first in their lives.

I have finally found a church to call "home". I feel truly favored by God to have discovered a church that clarifies what I've been seeking all these years. One where the vision of what should be is communicated, modeled after the early church, and lived in reality. It seems God has collected people serious about loving Him, thankful for His forgiveness and care. I am excited to see what God has planned for our future together.