

**LOVING ONE ANOTHER FERVENTLY
(1 Peter 1:-22)**

I. OUR SUFFERING NEEDS TO BE VIEWED IN RELATION TO GOD’S PLAN OF SALVATION FOR YOU (1 Peter 1:1-12)

II. OUR SALVATION & PRESENT SUFFERING SHOULD RESULT IN PRACTICAL & PROGRESSIVE SANCTIFICATION IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE (1:13-2:10)

A. In Your Relationship Toward GOD (1:13-21)

B. In Your Relationship Toward OTHER BELIEVERS (1:22-25)

1. The priority command in these verses is to _____ (1:22)

* How is the word “love” used in the Greek language?

a. The Greek words for love are...

1) “_____” -- this is a sexual kind of love

2) “_____” – this love speaks of natural affection—like a mother for a child or a sister for a brother.

3) “_____”— it is a friendship kind of love involving love & compatibility among friends (a reciprocal, conditional kind of love)

4) “_____” – a sacrificial love for another’s good (unconditional/ volitional kind of love)

b. The *definition* of agape love in the Christian life is... _____

c. The *source* of agape love is _____ (Rom 5:5; Gal. 5:22)

d. The *standard* of agape love, is the _____ .

- What will deter this agape love through us?

e. The *importance* of agape love is that it is the mark of _____ for the believer today & it is emphasized _____ in the NT epistles! (John 13:35, etc.)

- When did you receive the capacity to love one another? (1:22a)
- How did you “purify your souls”? (1:22b)
- What is one of the goals or purposes of regeneration? (1:22c)
- What are some areas believers are sometimes insincere?
- Who are you to express genuine love to? (1:22d)
- What word here describes how our love for each other should be?
- Why are you to love others this way? (1:23)