



## LOVE IS A DECISION

*"<sup>9</sup>I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. <sup>10</sup>When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. <sup>12</sup>This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you."*  
*John 15:9-10 y 12 nlt*

### Introduction:

*"<sup>1</sup>Let love be your highest goal! ..." 1 Corinthians 14:1 nlt*

*"<sup>8</sup>But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>11</sup>Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other." 1 Juan 4:8 y 11 ntv*

### 1. To love is a decision \_\_\_\_\_.

*"<sup>34</sup>So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other." John 13:34 nlt*

*"<sup>14</sup>Let all that you do be done with love." 1 Corinthians 16:14*

- It challenges us to \_\_\_\_\_.
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### 2. To love is a decision \_\_\_\_\_.

*"<sup>7</sup>Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love." 1 John 4:7-8 nlt*

*"<sup>19</sup>We love each other<sup>[a]</sup> because he loved us first." 1 John 4:19 niv*

*"<sup>18</sup>And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is." Ephesians 3:18 ntv*

*“<sup>16</sup>We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them.”*

*1 John 4:16 nlt*

### **3. To love is a decision \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“<sup>5</sup>And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.”*

*Romans 5:5 nlt*

*“<sup>3</sup>He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds.” Psalm 147:3*

*“<sup>30</sup>Jesus replied with a story: A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road. <sup>31</sup>By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. <sup>32</sup>A Temple assistant<sup>[a]</sup> walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. <sup>34</sup>Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.” Luke 10:30-35 nlt*

*“<sup>8</sup>Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”*

*1 Peter 4:8 niv*

### **Conclusion:**

*“<sup>9</sup>Don’t just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.”*

*Romans 12:9-10 nlt*