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Active Love

1 Cor. 16:14 Let all that you do be done in love.

We were reminded yesterday that God is love. Everything about Him flows from His great love for us. And when God wanted to demonstrate His love Rom. 5:8 tells us: But God demonstrated His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Today, God is commanding us through His word and His Holy Spirit to make sure that everything we do; the things we think and act upon, we need to do them in love. The Greek phrase here for in love - *ginestho* - tells us we are to become like the One who gives us love. The only way we can love like He loves is to live in His love.

Many years ago there was a question posed that was to encourage us as believers to do what was right in every circumstance; What would Jesus do?

I think we could ask a similar question here; How would Jesus love? When we think about the people around us, we could ask that same question. How would Jesus love my family? (because He does) How would He love my neighbor? (because He does) How would Jesus love those who dislike me? (He loves them completely)

You see, it all depends on what perspective we have. Are we looking at others through our own sinful eyes or are we looking at them as God sees them; those He dearly loves and gave Himself up for them. Paul inspires us to let everything we do to be done in love - becoming like the one who is love - God Himself. We will never be more like our Father than when we love like He does.

Dear Father, I need Your help today to do everything I do in love; loving like You do and not like I do. No strings attached kind of love is what I need today. Help me please Father. In Jesus Name, Amen.