

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

Love does no wrong to a neighbor;
therefore love is the fulfilling
of the law.

Besides this you know the time,
that the hour has come for you to
wake from sleep. For salvation is
nearer to us now than when we
first believed.

The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Let us walk properly as in the
daytime, not in orgies and
drunkenness, not in sexual
immorality and sensuality, not in
quarreling and jealousy.

But put on the Lord Jesus Christ,
and make no provision for the
flesh, to gratify its desires.

1 Timothy 3:7

Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

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Matthew 5:42

Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

Exodus 22:25

“If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be like a moneylender to him, and you shall not exact interest from him.”

Psalm 37:21

The wicked borrows but does not pay back,
but the righteous is generous and gives;

Ecclesiastes 5:5

It is better that you should not vow than
that you should vow and not pay.

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Romans 6:17

But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed,

Romans 7:6

But now we are released from the law,
having died to that which held us captive,
so that we serve in the new way of the
Spirit and not in the old way of the written
code.

Matthew 5:17

Do not think that I have come to abolish
the Law or the Prophets; I have not come
to abolish them but to fulfill them.

Matthew 22:37-40

... “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law

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3. Your morality, sobriety, and humility.v.13

Three Steps in Changing:

1. Cast off: involves confessing, repenting, mortifying
2. Put on: involves The Word, The Spirit, The body
3. Make no provision: removing every stumbling block: people, places, things.

