## LOVE ONE ANOTHER...

John 15v12: ...Love each other as I have loved you.

(also John 13v34<sub>2x</sub>, 1John 3v11,23; 4v7,11 and 2John 1v5)

Rom.12v10a: Be devoted to one another in brotherly love.

**1Pet.1v22:** ...**love** one another deeply, from the heart.

1Pet.4v8: Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

(cf. Rom.13v8: ...the continuing debt to love one another...)

### ...in attitudes

Rom.15v7: Accept one another ... just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

Eph.4v32a: Be kind and compassionate to one another...

Rom.12v10b: Honour one another above yourselves.

1Pet.5v5: ...All of you, clothe yourselves with humility towards one another...

# ...in affection

Rom.16v16: Greet one another with a holy kiss...

**1Pet.5v14: Greet** one another with a kiss of love...

1Thes.5v15: ...always try to be kind\*
to each other... (\*or "do good" ESV)

#### ...with truth

Col.3v16: ...teach and admonish one another with all wisdom...

**1Thes.4v18:** ...**encourage** each other with these words.

**Eph.5v19: Speak to** one another with psalms, hymns & spiritual songs...

1Thes.5v11: ...encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

(cf. Rom.15v14: ...[you are] competent to instruct one another.)

## ...spiritually

Hebr.3v13: But encourage\* one another daily... so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. (\*or "exhort..." ESV)

Hebr.10v24: ...consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds.

**Hebr.10v25:** Let us not give up meeting together... but let us **encourage** one another...

### ...practically

1Cor.11v33: ...wait for each other.
1Pet.4v9: Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.

Gal.5v13: ...serve one another in love.

1Pet.4v10: ...use whatever gift... received to serve others...

Gal.6v2: Carry each other's burdens...

## **GET ALONG!**

Mark 9v50: ...be at peace with each other.

Rom.12v16: Live in harmony with one another...

**Eph.5v21: Submit to** one another out of reverence for Christ.

**Eph.4v2:** ...be patient, **bearing with** one another in love.

Eph.4v32b: ...forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Col.3v13: Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you

Jam.5v16: ...confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed...

may have against one another...

## DON'T...

Rom.14v13: ...stop passing judgment on one another...

Gal.5v15: If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed...

Col.3v9: Do not lie to each other...

Jam.4v11: ...do not slander one
another

Jam.5v9: Don't grumble against each other...

**2Cor.10v12** We do not dare to classify or compare...

Gal.5v26: Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

# **One-Another-ing**

1. What do all these references, taken together, tell us about God's intention for local church life?

- 2. What attitudes, approaches, and assumptions...
  - a) ...hinder this dynamic?

b) ...promote this dynamic?

"...speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body ... grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work." – Ephesians 4v15-16