

"Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:" 1 Timothy 1:5 KJV

What is Christ's commandment? "Love one another as I have loved you." Loving like Christ is a pure sacrificial love that sees faults and sins, forgives, and looks forward to promised perfection. "Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith; who FOR THE JOY that was set before Him ENDURED the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the Right Hand of the Throne of God. For consider Him that endured such contradiction of sinners against Himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds." Love is required to fulfill the Law of Christ. "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye (put up with) one another's burdens, and so fulfil the Law of Christ. For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." Compassion is required for the lost and charity is required for the fellowship of believers. We think of charity and think immediately of the Rescue Mission or Salvation Army. Donations are compassion. not charity. Charity is more than giving THINGS. "Charity suffereth long...is kind...envieth not...is not puffed up...doth not behave itself unseemly...seeketh not her own...is not easily provoked...thinketh no evil...rejoiceth in the Truth...beareth all things...believeth all things...hopeth all things...endureth all things. Charity never faileth." True charity is The Christ Love of unfeigned faith! Charity is love in action. Love is Not what we feel, but what we do! If I love Jesus, I will love what He loves, hate what He hates and do what He does. . My faith will be unpretentious and practiced automatically: His slightest whim will command me, because His Love is my reward True faith begets true charity. If I am truly concerned about my family in Christ, I'll tend to their needs without being asked. As the Holy Spirit brings them to light, I'll take care of them if possible or find someone who can. Believers are the conduit of Father's Love and we must ask for supply on behalf of the Body of Christ. "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." Exhort, admonish, encourage, and teach new babes in Christ until they are mature enough to do it in turn. God provides us with excess material goods to benefit others as well as ourselves. Jesus healed and preached to the multitudes, but He was family to His disciples. The multitudes would leave, but the disciples were always at His side. Unfeigned faith leaves the nets of worldly concerns behind and follows Christ without question!



Faith unfeigned and loving heart,
From His side will ne'er depart,
What Christ commands will always do,
Until at last all things are new. ~CGP

God took on the constraints of time and the agony of human flesh for 33 years. Earthly life is, but a drop in the ocean of eternity. We toil, now, but then, everlasting bliss! When you turned to God in faith, believing, you gave Him your life! It is hid in Christ, forever! Don't keep trying to take it back. It is an impossible struggle! "No man (including you) can pluck them out of my hand!" If one's faith is questionable, it is not unfeigned!

"What? Know ye not that your body is the Temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 KJV