# The 'one another' verses

The 'one another' verses have been shared here in hope that they might give you food for thought as you consider the ministry of your Messy Church.

The roughly 100 verses have been grouped into themes of **unity**, **love**, **humility** and **the rest**.

All verses below are from the NIV unless otherwise indicated. Different translations have been chosen where the NIV elects to not use 'one another' but uses different words.

#### **TIP**

Don't just read the verses below in isolation; rather, read around to see the wider context.

## On the theme of **Church unity**

Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another. (Mark 9:50, ESV)

'Stop grumbling among yourselves,' Jesus answered. (John 6:43)

Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. (Romans 12:16)

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus. (Romans 15:5, ESV)

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. (Romans 15:7)

So then, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for one another (1 Corinthians 11:33, ESV)

But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another. (Galatians 5:15, ESV)

Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. (Galatians 5:26, ESV)

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. (Ephesians 4:2)

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32)

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. (Colossians 3:13)

See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. (1 Thessalonians 5:15, ESV)

Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. (James 4:11)

Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door! (James 5:9)

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. (James 5:16, ESV)

#### On the theme of **IOVE**

A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (John 13:34)

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. (John 15:12, ESV; see also John 15:17)

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. (Romans 13:8)

And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you. (1 Thessalonians 3:12, ESV)

Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. (1 Thessalonians 4:9)

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. (1 Peter 1:22)

For this is the message you heard from the beginning: we should love one another. (1 John 3:11)

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. (1 John 4:7)

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (1 John 4:11)

And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love one another. (2 John 5)

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. (Galatians 5:13)

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. (Ephesians 4:2)

Greet one another with a kiss of love. (1 Peter 5:14)

Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. (Romans 12:10)

# On the theme of **humility**

Give preference to one another in honour. (Romans 12:10)

Regard one another as more important than yourselves. (Philippians 2:3)

Serve one another. (Galatians 5:13)

Wash one another's feet. (John 13:14)

Don't be haughty: be of the same mind. (Romans 12:16)

Be subject to one another. (Ephesians 5:21)

Clothe yourselves in humility toward one another. (1 Peter 5:5)

### Here's the rest

Do not judge one another, and don't put a stumbling block in a brother's way. (Romans 14:13)

Greet one another with a kiss. (Romans 16:16; 1 Corinthians 16:20; 2 Corinthians 13:12)

Husbands and wives: don't deprive one another of physical intimacy. (1 Corinthians 7:5)

Bear one another's burdens. (Galatians 6:2)

Speak truth to one another. (Ephesians 4:25)

Don't lie to one another. (Colossians 3:9)

Comfort one another concerning the resurrection. (1 Thessalonians 4:18)

Encourage and build up one another.

(1 Thessalonians 5:11)

Stimulate one another to love and good deeds. (Hebrews 10:24)

Pray for one another. (James 5:16)

Be hospitable to one another. (1 Peter 4:9)