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Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. **God is love.** **But God** demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. **For all** have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. **There is** none righteous, no not one. **But your iniquities [wickedness]** have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear. **For the wages** of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **How will you** escape being condemned to hell? Repent **[turn]**, and believe in the gospel **[the good news]**.

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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. **If you confess** with your mouth “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. **[Jesus said]: “My command is this:** Love each other, as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.” **This is how** we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. **If anyone has** material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Let us not love with words or in tongue but with action and in truth. **And now** these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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1 Corinthians 13:13; 1 John 4:16; Romans 5:8;
Romans 3:23; Psalm 14:1-3; Isaiah 59:2; Romans 6:23;
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