

THE DIAMOND OF CHRISTLIKENESS!

(Romans 8:29; Galatians 4:19; Romans 13:14)

Romans 8:29 (NKJV)

²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Galatians 4:19 (NKJV)

¹⁹ My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you,

Romans 13:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ But *put on (clothe yourself)* the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfill its* lusts..

Message: Christlikeness has many facets that should be in every believer.

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I. CHRISTLIKENESS MEANS CHRISTLIKE LOVE

(John 13:34; 1 Corinthians 13:13; Ephesians 5:1-2; Colossians 3:14)

John 13:34 (NKJV)

³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

1 Corinthians 13:13 (NKJV)

¹³ And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these *is* love.

Ephesians 5:1-2 (NKJV)

¹Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. ² And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

Colossians 3:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.

THE FACETS OF CHRISTLIKE LOVE

- 1. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS WANTING AND PURSUING THE BEST, GOD'S BEST FOR OTHERS (2 Thessalonians 5:14; Philippians 2:4)
- 2. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS AN ACCEPTING LOVE (Romans 15:7)
- 3. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS UNSELFISH GIVING LOVE (Ephesians 5:2)
- 4. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS A COMPASSIONATE CARING LOVE (Matthew 9:36)
- 5. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS A KIND LOVE (1 Corinthians 13:4)
- 6. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS A TRUTH SPEAKING LOVE (1 Corinthians 13:6; Ephesians 4:15)
- 7. CHRISTLIKE LOVE IS A FORGIVING LOVE (Ephesians 4:32)