**Insert #1** – **The Treat Others Packet** – Kindness hearwelldone.org

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| **Kind** H2896  ṭôb  (tobe)  **To treat someone favorably**, lovingly, pleasantly, pleasingly,  **To do that which promotes their welfare** and prospers them, To do good or good things for them, to do well or what is best for someone,  To treat them as one who is precious to God. The way God has treated you. Kindness H2617 chêsêd (kheh'-sed) - favor, a good deed, merciful, mercy, pity, Kind: 1828 Webster:    **Disposed to do good to others**, to make them happy, to grant their requests, supply their needs,  to assist them in distress; having tenderness or goodness of nature; benevolent; **Refusing to cause anyone pain** or doing anything detrimental that would harm or lessen or hinder them or their welfare.  **Ephesians 4:32** - But **be kind one to another**, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake has forgiven you.  **Colossians 3:12** -Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, **clothe yourselves with** compassion, **kindness**, humility, gentleness and patience.  **Proverbs 31:26** - (the Proverbs 31 Woman) She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the **law of kindness is on her tongue**.  **Micah 6:8** - He has shown you, O man, what is good.  And what does the LORD require of you? but to make right judgments, **to love kindness**, and to walk humbly with your God.  **Zechariah 7:9** - The LORD of Hosts says this: Make right decisions.  **Show kindness and compassion** to one another.  **I Corinthians 13:1,4** - If I speak in the tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or clanging symbol. (4)  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…   **Luke 6:35-36** - But **love your enemies, do good to them**, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back.  Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the **Most High**, **because he is kind** to the unthankful and to the wicked.  Therefore, be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.  **Matthew 11:30** - For **my yoke is kind** and my burden is light.  **I Chronicles 16:34** - O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good and **his kindness endures forever**!  **Micah 7:18** - Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever **but delight to show kindness**. |

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| **Psalms 103:11** - For **as high as the heavens are above the earth,** **so great is His kindness** toward them that fear Him.  **Psalms 103:8 -** The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and **abundant in kindness**.  **Psalms 36:5** - Your **kindness**, O  LORD, **reaches to the heavens**, your faithfulness to the skies.  **Psalms 23:6 -** Surely goodness **and kindness will follow me** all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.  **Psalms 52:8** - But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; **I trust in God's unfailing kindness** for ever and ever.  **Psalms 25:10** - All the paths of the LORD **are kind and faithful** toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.  **Psalms 66:20** - Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his kindness from me!  **Psalms 59:16** - But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your kindness in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress.  **Psalms 31:7** - I will be glad and **rejoice in your unfailing kindness**, for you have seen my affliction, and you care about the anguish of my soul.  **Psalms 86:13** - For great is thy kindness toward me: and you have delivered my soul from the lowest hell.  **Psalms 5:7** - But as for me, I will come into your house **in the abundance your kindness**, and in your fear will I worship toward your holy temple. (worship: lower myself, prostrate myself in homage, crouch, stoop, fall down flat, do reverence)  **Psalms 119:64** - The earth O LORD, is **full of your kindness**, teach me your statutes. (Goad and instruct me in your appointments, your set times, lead me to your perfect timing)  **Psalms 138:8** - The LORD will complete His purpose for me.  **Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever**; you do not abandon the work of Your hands.  **Psalms 147:11** - The LORD takes pleasure **in them that fear Him**, in those **who hope in his kindness.**  **Psalms 86:5** - O Lord, you are so good, so ready to forgive, **so full of kindness** for all who call upon you.  **Psalms 32:10** - Many are the sorrows of the wicked, **but unfailing kindness surrounds** the one who **trusts** in the LORD. |

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| **Hosea 10:12** - Sow righteousness for yourselves, reap his unfailing kindness; break up your unplowed ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he comes and rains righteousness on you.  **Psalms 33:18** - But the eyes of the LORD are on those **who fear him**, on those **whose hope is in his unfailing kindness**.  **Psalms 33:22** - Let your **unfailing kindness** surround us, LORD, for our hope is in you alone  **Psalms 13:5-6** - But **I have trusted in your kindness**; my heart will rejoice in your salvation.  I will sing the LORD's praise, for he has been good to me.  (He has dealt bountifully with me)  **II Chronicles 5:13-14** - The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the LORD. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers **raised their voices in praise to the LORD** and sang: "**He is good; his kindness endures forever**." Then the temple of the LORD was filled with the cloud, and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the temple of God.  **Psalms 18:50** - He gives his king great victories; **he shows unfailing kindness to his anointed**, to David **and to his descendants** forever.  **Psalms 21:7** - For the king trusts in the LORD, and **through the kindness of the Most High** he will not be moved.  **Romans 2:1-4** - You, therefore, have no excuse, you who condemn someone else, for at whatever point you condemn the other, you are condemning yourself, because you who condemn do the same things.  (2) Now we know that God’s judgment against those who do such things is based on truth.  So when you, a mere man, pass judgment on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God’s judgment?  Or **do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness**, tolerance and patience, not realizing that **God’s kindness leads you toward repentance**.   **Ephesians 2:6-7** - And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he may show the incomparable riches of this grace, **expressed in his kindness** to us in Christ Jesus.   **Titus 3:4** - But when the **kindness and love of God** our Savior **appeared**, he saved us, not because of righteous things we have done, but because of his mercy.  He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior.  **Nehemiah 9:17** - "They refused to listen, and did not remember Your wondrous deeds which You had performed among them; So they became stubborn and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But You are a God of forgiveness, Gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger **and of great kindness**; And You did not forsake them. |

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| **Psalms 117:1-2** - Praise the LORD, all you nations. Praise him, all you people of the earth.  **For his merciful kindness is great toward us**: and the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD.  **Isaiah 54:8,10** - In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with **everlasting kindness** I will have compassion on you," says the LORD your Redeemer.  For though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed; **my kindness will not leave you**, nor will the covenant of my peace be removed, says the LORD who has mercy on you.  **Joel 2:13** - Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and **of great kindness**, and he relents from sending calamity.  **2 Peter 1:3-8** - His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.  Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.  For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge;  and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, **brotherly kindness**; and **to brotherly kindness,** love.  For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they will keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.  **Genesis 39:21** - But the LORD was with Joseph, and **showed him kindness, and gave him favor** in the sight of the keeper of the prison.  **Numbers 14:18** - The LORD is slow to anger, **great in kindness**, and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.'  **Deuteronomy 7:9** - Know therefore that the LORD your God, He is God, **the faithful God**, who keeps His covenant **and His kindness** to a thousand generations 0f those who love Him and keep His commandments;  **Deuteronomy 7:12** - Therefore, it shall come to pass, if you listen to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD your God shall keep with you the covenant **and the kindness** which he swore to your fathers:  **2 Samuel 22:47-52** - "The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be my God, the Rock, my Savior!  He is the God who avenges me, who puts the nations under me, who sets me free from my enemies. You exalted me above my foes; from a violent man you rescued me. Therefore I will praise you, LORD, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name. "He gives his king great victories; he shows **unfailing kindness** to his anointed, to David and his descendants forever."  **I Kings 8:23** - and he prayed, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in all of heaven above or on the earth below. You keep your covenant and show **unfailing kindness** to all who walk before you with all their heart. |

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| **2 Chronicles 6:14** - and said, “O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven or on earth, keeping covenant and showing **steadfast kindness** to your servants who walk before you with all their heart,  **2 Chronicles 7:1-4** - When Solomon finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the house.  And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD filled the LORD’s house.  When all the people of Israel saw the fire come down and the glory of the LORD on the temple, they bowed down with their faces to the ground on the pavement and worshiped and gave thanks to the LORD, saying, “For he is good, **and his kindness endures forever**.”  **II Chronicles 20:21** - After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the LORD and to praise him for the beauty of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "**Give thanks to the LORD, for his kindness endures forever**."  **Ezra 3:11** - With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the LORD: "**He is good; his kindness toward Israel endures forever**." And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.  **Ezra 9:9** - Though we are slaves, **our God has not forsaken us** in our bondage. **He has shown us kindness** in the sight of the kings of Persia: He has granted us new life to rebuild the house of our God and repair its ruins, and he has given us a wall of protection in Judah and Jerusalem.  **Nehemiah 1:5** - Then I said: "LORD, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, **who keeps his covenant of unfailing kindness** with those who love him and keep his commandments. |

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| **Before reading this:**  **See Relationship Topic: Love is Obey, and Relationship Topic: Love is Obey Verses.**  **The Bible overwhelmingly reveals that to love God is to obey him.**  **How does God love us?**  **God loved us by giving. John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” He gives us life, salvation, His Holy Spirit, and everything we need for Godliness (See PRISM Topic – What God Gives!)**  **How do we love God?**  **We love God by obeying Him**. 2 John 1:6 - And **this is love**: **that we walk in obedience** to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love. **John 14:15** - If you **love** me, you will **obey** what I command. (These are only two of many verses and examples in Scripture that support the truth: **to love God is to obey**.) **So if God loved us by giving, and we love God by obeying…**  **How do we love others?**  **We actually love others - by obeying God.** 1 John 5:2-3 – “This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. In fact, **this is love for God: to keep his commands**…” This verse states it simply. We love others by obeying God in how we treat them.  Mark 12:30-31 - And you shall **love the Lord your God** **with all your heart** and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: **'Love your neighbor as yourself**.' There is no commandment greater than these."  **John 13:34 -** "A new command I give you: Love one another. **As I have loved you**, so you must love one another.  **Philippians 2:3 -** Do nothing out of selfish ambition or empty pride, but in humility **consider others more important** than yourselves.  I John 3:16 - 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 and sisters.  John 15:12-14 - My command is this: **Love each other as I have loved you**. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.  John 15:17 - This is my command: Love each other.  **Is there anything you could do to love others – that is not simply obeying God?**  God tells us how we should treat others. If we are kind, if we refuse to say anything harmful, if we help them, give them what they need without expecting anything in return, think the best of them; **anything we could ever do to love someone** (acquaintance, enemy, friend, neighbor, parent, spouse, children), **is really - just obeying God**. |

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| **If we know that love for God is obeying him, and Love for others is also obeying God – in how we treat them**  **(the Bible overwhelmingly indicates this) then…**  **What if we viewed the verses in the Bible that speak of love, and loving others – through the lens of obeying God in how we treat them. Could this give us even further insight on love for others?**  2 John 1:6 - And **this is love**: **that we walk in obedience to his commands**. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love/obedience.  John 15:13 - Greater love has no one than this, that **he lay down his life for his friends**.  John 13:34-35 - "A new command I give you: Love one another. **As I have loved you**, so you must love one another.” By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."    This is obeying God - Jesus was saying, just as I obeyed God and loved you, so you should obey God and love each other. Obey God in how you treat one another.  1 John 3:16 - 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 and sisters.  I John 3:17 - If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion, how can the **obedience**/love of God be in that person?  I John 4:7 - Dear friends, let us love one another, for **obedience**/lovecomes from God. **Everyone who** **obeys**/loves **has been born of God** and knows God.  I John 4:11 - Dear friends, since God so loved us, **we also ought to love one another**.  2 Corinthians 12:15 - **I will gladly spend myself and all I have for you**, even though it seems that the more I love you, the less you love me.  (How did Paul love them? By obeying God in how he had always treated them, even though they were not doing the same. Paul was defending himself against false accusation by others against Paul who were trying to usurp his position as apostle and teacher of the church.)  Galatians 5:13 - For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. **But through** **obedience**/love **serve one another**. |

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| Galatians 5:14 - For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "**Love your neighbor as yourself**."  Gal 5:22 - But the fruit of the Spirit is **obedience**, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  What a deeper perspective! The fruit of the Spirit is obedience. If we walk in the Spirit – we are directly obeying God in how we treat others – and how we treat God. How could anyone who walks in the Spirit – not be obeying God. The Holy Spirit leads us in obeying God – it’s the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Love for God is obeying Him.  Ephesians 4:2 - Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults **because of your obedience**/love.  Ephesians 4:15 - **Instead, speaking the truth** **in obedience**/love, **we will grow to become** in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.  (To speak the truth in obedience – means speak only when He says to speak, but also what and how He says to speak -with humility, forbearance, with kindness.)  Ephesians 4:16 - from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes **the growth of the body for the building up of itself** **in obedience**/love.  Ephesians 5:25 - Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.  (This means: husbands, obey God in loving your wife, by laying down your life for hers, just as Christ obeyed God and loved the church by laying down His life for her.)  Colossians 2:2 – “that their hearts may be encouraged, **being knit together** **in obedience**/love, **to reach** all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God’s mystery, which is Christ.”  Clearly obeying God in how we treat one another creates a common bond of unity that knits our hearts together in affection for one another.  I Thessalonians 3:12 - And may the Lord make **your love for one another** and for all people grow and overflow, just as our love for you overflows.  Paul is saying **may you grow in** **obedience to the LORD in how you treat one another** and others, just as we obey God in how we treat you. No one can grow in love for another without treating them the way God says to treat them – that’s how love grows. You don’t learn self-less love by what comes natural, you learn it by the Holy Spirit leading you in loving people -that’s obeying God.  Philemon 1:5,7 - **Hearing of your** **obedience**/love **and faith**, which you have toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints; **Your** **obedience**/love **has given me great joy and encouragement**, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people. |

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| Hebrews 6:10 - God is not unjust; **he will not forget** **your work and** **the obedience**/love **you have shown him** as you have helped his people and continue to help them.  Hebrews 10:24 - And let us consider **how we may spur one another on toward** **obedience**/love **and good deeds**,  2 Corinthians 8:24 - Therefore show these men the **proof of your obedience**/love **and the reason** for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it.  What was the proof of their love? It was their obedience. Paul said set aside each week according to how God has prospered you so that when I come, we don’t have to take up a collection, you have already obeyed week by week – this proves your love for God – so you do what He prompted your heart to do.  John 15:5-6,10 - "I am the vine; you are the branches. **If you remain in me** and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. **If you do not remain in me**, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned… **If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love**, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love.”  1 John 3:14 - **We know that we have passed from death to life, because we** **love each other**. (we obey God in how we treat each other). Anyone **who does not obey**/love **remains in death**.  God makes it clear – if we obey we remain in Christ (John 15:10), if we do not obey we remain in death. We love each other because he commanded us to. Loving each other is obeying Him.  I John 4:12 – “No one has ever seen God; but **if we love one another**, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.”  If we love others by obeying God in how we treat them - God lives in us and his love is completed in us.  I John 4:21 - And he has given us this command: **Anyone who loves God must also love their brother** and sister.  Anyone who really loves God will obey him, and will obey God in how they treat their brother and sister in Christ.  I John 5:2 - This is how we know that we love the children of God: **by obeying God** and carrying out his commands.  I Peter 4:8 - And above all things **have fervent** **obedience**/love **among yourselves**: **for obedience**/love **shall cover a multitude of sins**.  How do you love one another without demonstrating it, and how do you demonstrate love without obeying God in how we are to treat one another – that is love for others. Clearly this verse isn’t talking about God’s love that covers a multitude of sins, otherwise it wouldn’t say be earnest about love among yourselves. God is talking about obedience. Like when we go to our brother and turn them from the error of their ways, that is speaking the truth in love, turning them as God told us to… God says it hides a multitude of sins. Clearly this is a mystery that God shares, but it certainly isn’t a warm gooey affectionate feeling that we need to be fervent about, that won’t hide a multitude of sins. Obedience to God is the love we demonstrate for him and toward others. |

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| 2 Thessalonians 1:3 - We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brethren, as is only fitting, because your faith is greatly enlarged, and love **of each one of you** **toward one another** grows ever greater;  3 John 1:6 - They **have told the church here of your obedience**/love. **Please continue** providing for such teachers in a manner that pleases God.  I Cor 13:13 - And now these three remain: **faith, hope and obedience**. But **the greatest of these is obedience**.  The three ‘things that remain’ spoken here – are not what God has or does or is. Of course God remains… But the three things that remain – as mentioned here - are things that we need, that we need to be doing – that God gives for us. Does God have faith? What for? He speaks it happens. Does God have hope – is there anything not a sure thing to him? Does God have obedience – who would he obey? (Although Jesus did). God sees the end from the beginning – He is outside of time, so faith and hope and love (obedience) don’t apply to him, in this passage they apply to us. He gives faith, He gives hope, He gives obedience. It’s the fruit of the Spirit – if you walk in the Spirit you will always be walking in obedience (love for God and love for others). The Holy Spirit would never lead you to do anything that is not full obedience to your Heavenly Father, just like the Holy Spirit always and only led Jesus in obedience to His Heavenly Father. That’s why he was raised to the highest place, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father in heaven, interceding for us!  **Clearly from Scripture love for God is obeying him**. **And love for others is Obeying God (in how we treat them).**  The devil will lie – even about this truth. He will say this is “adding to God’s Word,” but the truth is: anything that is love for God – is obeying. The Bible makes it clear repeatedly, verse after direct verse.  The devil wants us to think obeying God is hard. God says it’s easy.  Matthew 11:30 – For my yoke is easy, my burden is light.  Just focus on things above, and not on the flesh. If you set your mind on what the flesh desires, obeying will be hard. But if you set your mind on things above, and walk in the Spirit – you will find that His yoke is easy.  The devil wants to plant the lie that obeying is just a list of do’s and don’t. What you can’t do, or what you have to do - that it will never be good enough. That’s a lie. Obeying God isn’t a list of do’s and don’ts – it’s a path. It’s a path to blessing, joy, and abundance! The abundant life that God has for you. You will see the joy God brings when you love him – by obeying Him. As you walk in the Spirit, He will direct your steps and give you grace in your time of need - to love Him and to love others.  **God loves us by giving. We love God by obeying. And we love others by obeying God in how we treat them.**  He helps us to love others! When we obey Him, we can prefer them above ourselves, and by His grace we can lay down our lives for one another, just as He laid down his life for us. **Truly, this life in Christ is about love.**  **And love for God and love for others – is simply to obey God.**  So if Love for God is obeying Him, and Love for others is obeying God in how we treat them. **How does God tell us to treat them?**  See PRISM Topic – How to Treat One Another |

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| Love for others is **- obeying God in how you treat them** (I John 5:2-3). Love for others is - **to prefer them above yourself** (Phil 2:3). (See Relationship Topic: Love is Obey, and Relationship Topic: Love for Others)  So how **should we treat others?**  Philippians 2:3 - Do nothing out of selfish ambition or empty pride, but in humility **consider others more important than yourselves**.  I Cor 13:1-8 - Love is **patient**, love is **kind**. It **does not envy**, it **does not boast**, it **is not proud**. It **does not dishonor** others, 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 comes to an end… (Every mention of what love is – is the same as what obedience is – love is obeying God in how we interact with him, and how we treat others)  Romans 12:10 - Love one another **with brotherly affection**. Outdo one another in **showing honor**.  Rom 15:7 Therefore **receive one another**, (**show hospitality**) even as Christ also received you, to the glory of God.  Galatians 5:13 - For you have been called to live in freedom, brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to **serve one another** in love.  John 13:14 - And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to **wash each other's feet**.  Galatians 6:2 - **Share each other's burdens**, and in this way obey the law of Christ.  Ephesians 4:2 - Always be **humble and gentle**. Be **patient** with each other, **making allowance for each other's faults** because of your love.  Ephesians 4:32 - Be **kind** to one another, **tenderhearted**, **forgiving one another**, just as God in Christ forgave you.  Colossians 3:13 - **Make allowance for each other's faults**, and **forgive anyone who offends you**. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.  Colossians 3:16 - Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and **admonishing one another** in all wisdom, singing psalms, hymns, *and* spiritual songs with grace in your hearts to God. (Admonish – **to put in their mind**, **reprove gently**. Reprove – to charge with a fault – to the face.)  I Thessalonians 5:11 - So **encourage one another other** and **build each other up**, just as you are already doing.  Hebrews 10:24 - And let us consider how we may **spur one another on toward obedience**/love and good deeds,  James 5:16 - Therefore **confess your sins to each other** and **pray for each other** so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.  Ephesians 6:18 - And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and **always keep on praying for** all the Lord's people.  Hebrews 3:13 - But **exhort one another daily**, while it is called today, so that not one of you may be hardened by *the* deceitfulness of sin. |

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| **Proverbs 11:30** - The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise.   Win Souls And Be Wise  #1  Win souls to Christ – to Salvation – that’s the gospel #2  Win souls to Christ -  to LORDSHIP – that’s obedience  How does God want to use you today to help someone get saved?  How does God want to use you today to help someone obey?  The Great Commission  **Matthew 28:19-20 -** "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"  (This is salvation.) and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.  (This is obedience.)  And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."  (This is a promise.)  So what is God’s primary **purpose for us when it comes to people**?   To be friends with them?  To be accepted by them, To fit in with them? To be one of them?  No, He wants us to Win Them!  What does that mean?  **Win** :  laqach – law-kakh -  to take, draw, bring, buy, carry away, win over  It means God wants us **to win them from something to something.** from darkness to light, from deception to truth, from Satan to God, from wickedness to righteousness, from worldliness to Godliness.  God wants us to win souls from man’s Way to God’s Way.  **2 Timothy 2:26** - and that they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.   **2 Corinthians 4:3-4a** - If the gospel we preach is hidden behind a veil, it is hidden only from people who are perishing.  Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don’t believe, they are unable to see the glorious light of the gospel…  God wants us to help people find Christ (Salvation)– to be filled with the Holy Spirit (Empowering) and then obey Him, (Lordship) so they can walk in newness of life, to walk in all that He has for them, so they can fulfill **His purpose for them** in their generation. |

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| **I Peter 3:9** - The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness.  He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but **everyone** to come to repentance.  (This is Salvation.)  **Acts 1:8** - But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be **my witnesses** in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (This is Empowering.)  **I Peter 1:1a-2a**  …To God’s elect… who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ…  (This is Lordship.)  **John 8:30-32** - Even as he spoke, **many believed** in him.  (This is salvation – the gospel.)  To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “**If you hold to my teaching**, you are really my disciples.  (This is Lordship - obedience.)  Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.  (This is a promise.)  When they believed in him, this was salvation.  Then Jesus said, you also need to obey…  You need me as Savior, but also as LORD.  Meaning, if you continue to obey what I command, you are really my disciples, then – by obeying what I command you will know the truth (by experience) and then, the truth will set you free.  Free from what?  From being a slave of sin… (John 8:34)  **John 8:34 -** Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin.  Jesus life set the example of LORDSHIP in how he related with his heavenly Father.  Two verses earlier in the same passage, he explains this.   **John 8:28-29** - so Jesus said, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he and that **I do nothing on my own** but speak only what the Father has taught me.  For the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him.  (Jesus was an obeyer.)  So **winning souls means**:  Winning them to salvation, the Holy Spirit, and winning them to obedience.  This is the Great Commission.  God says he who wins souls is wise.  So How does God want to use you today… to win souls?   Is that what you want?  Is that what you want most today? Do you have a heart for people, like God’s heart for them? Remember, God is the one who draws people.  **John 6:44** - "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day."  This is a great reminder that **God is the one** who does the work in people’s hearts, not us.   He wants everyone to come to repentance, he is patient, long suffering, and He is delaying his return so that **not any** should perish. |

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| How To Win Souls      STEP 1:  Obey – Yourself! Are you obeying yourself, like Jesus did?  Does God make your time decisions, your thought decisions, your money decisions?  You cannot win someone to something you are not becoming yourself.   Are you hearing and obeying?  Are you Worshipping and Praising?  Are you living the obedience that brings a testimony?  And the joy of the LORD to be your strength?   Are you giving the testimony that brings the victory in your own life? that helps you overcome the adversary?  Rev 12:11) and increases the opinion of God in the eyes of others?  Bringing him glory, making him bigger?  (Step 1: Obey – be sure you are obeying God, submitting every decision of your life to his control, so that He directs your steps.)   STEP 2:  Prepare.  Do you know how to share the gospel, the invitation to put their faith in Christ, in a simple, and loving way, knowing that His kindness is what leads people to repentance?   **I Peter 3:15** - But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord.  **Always be prepared to give an answer** to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.  But do this with gentleness and respect,  **Romans 2:4** - Or do you think lightly of the riches of his kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that **the kindness of God** leads you to repentance?   (Step 2: Prepare – practice sharing the simple invitation to put their faith in Christ, in a kind and clear way.)  STEP 3:  Ask & Trust.   “God, please bring me to someone today that I can win for you.  Open doors, and help me by your Holy Spirit to love people to Jesus as their Savior and Jesus as their LORD.”      Are you praying that God will bring you to someone today, who needs Salvation, the Holy Spirit, or the Lordship of Jesus Christ in their life?    Do you trust the Holy Spirit to lead you to the people that the Heavenly Father is drawing?  Are you asking Him?  Is your joy - crazy?  Is your faith strong because you are obeying him consistently?  Are you putting your mind fully on Christ and your trust fully in him.  Are you leaning completely on His understanding which has no limit, instead of your own?  Are you trusting him even with the things you do not understand? |

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| Trust – Trust that God will answer your prayer and bring you someone **that He wants to win**.  Even if your own life isn’t perfect yet; God uses imperfect people who surrender to him, and believe him. You don’t have to wait until you’re perfect for him to use you to win souls.   (Step 3: Ask & Trust – Ask God to bring you today the one He wants to use you to win.  Then Trust Him to do it!)   STEP 4:  Walk.   God may open a door to share the love of Jesus, the testimony of Christ, an invitation to put their faith in Christ, or even an invitation to walk together in daily obedience to Christ.  Are you open to being used of God in another person’s life, in any way that God would choose?   **Hebrews 13:5** - But exhort one another daily, while it is called today, so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.   “Making disciples – teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you” happens over time.   **I Corinthians 11:1** - Be imitators of me, Just as I also am of Christ.  **Philippians 4:9** - The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.   In order to **make disciples by displaying to others** what a life of salvation and obedience looks like, **it will require proximity over time.**     Are you open to letting someone close enough to follow your example, as you follow the example of Christ?  Are you willing to walk with someone in a deeper and purposeful obedience-growing relationship?  Ask God who He wants you to walk with someone for a season.  A Daily Call – could help you greatly in doing this.  **Ask them to do the 3-Day-Challenge with you!**  **Ecclesiastes 4:12** - Though one may be overcome by an adversary, two can withstand him, and a chord of three strands is not easily broken.   You can **know for sure** that if God wants you to walk with someone – growing together in the joy of daily obedience, that the Holy Spirit will be right there beside you as that third strand to keep you in the light and love of Christ. |

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| So How do you Win Souls?   **Step 1:  Obey**  Let the Holy Spirit help you **become** what you want to win them to:  Jesus as Savior & Jesus as LORD!    **Step 2:  Prepare**  Be **ready to share** the simple truth of the gospel, with God’s kindness and love    **Step 3:  Ask & Trust**  **Ask God to bring** you someone today that he wants to use you to win, and trust Him to do it!  **Step 4:  Walk**  Be willing to walk with them in a deeper relationship; learning the joy of daily obedience to Christ.  **Ask them to do the 3-Day-Challenge with you!!**  You will be winning souls!  This is the heart of God for every person you meet.  He created them!  He loves them!  He is coming back soon!  He will complete the work He began in you, and he will use you to win souls to the Salvation and Lordship of Jesus Christ; Jesus as Savior and Jesus as Lord! |

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