

THE HOUSE RULES

FOR FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH:

THE *ONE-ANOTHER* COMMANDS

Regardless of age, gender, marital status, spiritual giftedness, maturity level, or ministry position, we all have the same basic responsibilities to each other within this church body. As the household of God, these are the rules we live by.

We're to LOVE one-another:

- John 13:35 *By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.*
- Rm. 13:8 *Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law.*
- 1 Thes. 4:9 *Now as to the love of the brethren, you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another.*
- 1 Pet. 1:22 *Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, for you have been born again...*
- 1 Jn. 3:11 *For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another; not as Cain, who was of the evil one, and slew his brother...*
- 1 Jn. 3:23 *And this is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as He commanded us.*
- 1 Jn. 4:7 *Beloved let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.*
- 1 Jn. 4:11 *Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.*
- 2 Jn. 5 *And now I ask you, lady, not as writing to you a new commandment, but the one which we have had from the beginning, that we love one another.*

We're to LOVE one-another *IN ATTITUDE:*

Honor, give preference to one another

Rom. 12:10 *give preference to one another in honor*

Be devoted to one another

Rom. 12:10 *Be devoted to one another in brotherly love...*

Be of the same mind toward one another

Rom. 12:16 *Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation.*

Rom. 15:5-6 *Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus; that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Do not judge one another

Rom. 14:13 *Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather determine this - not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's way.*

Be at peace with one another

Rom. 14:19 *So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.*

Receive, accept one another

Rom. 15:7 *Wherefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.*

Show forbearance to one another in love

Eph.4:2 *with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing forbearance to one another in love*

Submit to one another

Eph. 5:21 *and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.*

Humble yourselves before one another

Phil. 2:3 *Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself... have this attitude in yourselves...*

1 Pet. 5:5 *You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.*

Bear with and forgive one another

Col. 3:13 *bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you.*

Do not hate one another

Titus 3:3 *For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.*

We're to LOVE one-another IN WORD:

Build up one another

Rom. 14:19 *So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.*

1 Thes. 5:11 *Therefore encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing.*

Admonish, comfort one another

Rom. 15:14 *And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, and able also to admonish one another.*

1 Thes. 4:18 *Therefore comfort one another with these words*

Encourage one another

1 Thes.5:11 *Therefore encourage one another...*

Greet one another

Rom. 16:16 *Greet one another with a holy kiss.*

1 Cor. 16:20 *All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.*

2 Cor. 13:12 *Greet one another with a holy kiss.*

1 Pet. 5:14 *Greet one another with a kiss of love.*

Do not bite, devour, consume one another

Gal. 5:15 *But if you bite and devour one another, take care lest you be consumed by one another.*

Do not provoke, challenge, envy one another

Gal. 5:26 *Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.*

Do not lie to one another

Col. 3:9 *Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices...*

Stimulate one another to love and good deeds

Heb. 10:24 *and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another...*

Do not speak against, complain of one another

Jm. 4:11 *Do not speak against one another, brethren. He who speaks against a brother, or judges his brother, speaks against the law, and judges the law... There is only one Lawgiver and Judge...*

Jm.5:9 *Do not complain, brethren, against one another, that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door.*

Confess your sins to one another

Jm. 5:16 *Therefore confess your sins to one another...*

Pray for one another

Jm. 5:16 *and pray for one another, so that you may be [whole]. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.*

Fellowship with one another

1 Jn. 1:3,7 *what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, that you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ... but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light,*

we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

We're to LOVE one-another IN DEED:

Care for one another

1 Cor. 12:25 *that there should be no division in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another.*

Serve one another

Gal. 5:13 *For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.*

1 Pet.4:10 *As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*

Bear one another's burdens

Gal. 6:2 *Bear one another's burdens, and thus fulfill the law of Christ.*

Be kind to one another

Eph. 4:32 *And be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.*

Be hospitable to one another

1 Pet. 4:9 *Be hospitable to one another without complaint.*

Seek after that which is good for one another

1Thes.5:14-15: *And we urge you brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with all men. See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one-another and for all men.*

When we all commit ourselves to live by these "rules," we will have peace and unity in our fellowship and a fruitful ministry in our community.