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**Ephesians 4:11** And He gave some *as* apostles, and some *as* prophets, and some *as* evangelists, and some *as* pastors and teachers,

- <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;
- <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fulness of Christ.
- <sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;
- <sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him, who is the head, *even* Christ,
- <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which 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 love.

**Philippians 1:27** Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

- <sup>28</sup> in no way alarmed by *your* opponents-- which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and that *too*, from God.
- <sup>29</sup> For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,
- <sup>30</sup> experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear *to be* in me.
- **2:1** If therefore there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion,
- <sup>2</sup> make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.
- <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself;
- <sup>4</sup> do not *merely* look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.
- <sup>5</sup> Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,

**Colossians 3:12** And so, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;

- <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you.
- <sup>14</sup> And beyond all these things *put on* love, which is the perfect bond of unity.
- <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.
- <sup>16</sup> Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.
- <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

Hebrews 10:24 and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

- <sup>25</sup> not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*, and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.
- **1 Peter 4:1** Therefore, since Christ has suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same purpose, because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin,
- <sup>2</sup> so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.
- <sup>3</sup> For the time already past is sufficient *for you* to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousals, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.
- <sup>4</sup> And in *all* this, they are surprised that you do not run with *them* into the same excess of dissipation, and they malign *you*;
- <sup>5</sup> but they shall give account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.
- <sup>6</sup> For the gospel has for this purpose been preached even to those who are dead, that though they are judged in the flesh as men, they may live in the spirit according to *the will of* God.
- <sup>7</sup> The end of all things is at hand; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober *spirit* for the purpose of prayer.
- <sup>8</sup> Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.
- <sup>9</sup> Be hospitable to one another without complaint.
- <sup>10</sup> As each one has received a *special* gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- <sup>11</sup> Whoever speaks, *let him speak*, as it were, the utterances of God; whoever serves, *let him do so* as by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.
- **1 John 4:1** Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.
- <sup>2</sup> By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God;
- <sup>3</sup> and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; and this is the *spirit* of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.
- <sup>4</sup> You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.
- <sup>5</sup> They are from the world; therefore they speak *as* from the world, and the world listens to them.
- <sup>6</sup> We are from God; he who knows God listens to us; he who is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

- <sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.
- <sup>8</sup> The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.
- <sup>9</sup> By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.
- <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.
- <sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
- <sup>12</sup> No one has beheld God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us.

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