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Love Without Pretending

[Romans 12:9-21](#)

The only way this makes sense is when our Love (Agape) for one another is real, without pretending.

Here is how authentic Love acts in a community. Remember Jesus is the model of this Love and the one causing this Love to happen.

- Hate evil.
- Embrace good.
- Mutual love and support.
- Mutual honor and esteem.
- Diligent and enthusiastic service.
- Joyful hoping in struggles in constant prayer.
- Sharing with one another.
- Pursuing hospitality.
- Blessing persecutors.
- Rejoice together.
- Weep together.
- Unity of fellowship.
- Including the lowly.
- Not conceited.
- Do not repay evil for evil.
- Proving God's goodness to everyone.
- At peace with everyone when possible.
- Not vengeful. (Deuteronomy 32:35)
- Meets the needs of enemies. ([Proverbs 25:21-22](#))
- Overcomes evil with good.

We must become who we are together! The Beloved. (Agapetoi)