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Change Must Come

Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

Romans 12:15-16 (NKJV)

THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

*Jesus replied, “‘You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.” **Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)***

RACISM IS NOT A SKIN ISSUE. RACISM IS A SIN ISSUE.

But if you favor some people over others, you are committing a sin. You are guilty of breaking the law.

James 2:9 (NLT)

Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

1 John 4:20-21 (NIV)

RACISM ISN'T JUST THE PRESENCE OF HATRED. IT'S THE ABSENCE OF LOVE.

THE GOLDEN RULE

*Treat others as you want them to treat you. This is what the Law and the Prophets are all about. **Matthew 7:12 (CEV)***

Here is a simple rule of thumb for behavior: Ask yourself what you want people to do for you; then grab the initiative and do it for them! **Luke 6:31 (MSG)**

How To Live Out The Golden Rule In 2020

If you are kind only to your friends, how are you different from anyone else? Even pagans do that.

Matthew 5:47 (NLT)

1) Stand With Others

Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. **Romans 12:15 (NKJV)**

Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, 12 (NLT)

For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them. **Matthew 18:20 (NIV)**

2) Make Your Love Known

Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble...

Romans 12:16 (NKJV)

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed. Yes, speak up for the poor and helpless, and see that they get justice.

Proverbs 31:8-9 (NLT)

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. **1 John 3:18 (NIV)**

*...‘Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink? Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing? When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you?’
“And the King will say, ‘I tell you the truth, when you did it*

to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!” **Matthew 25:37-40 (NLT)**

3) Listen and Learn

...Do not be wise in your own opinion. **Romans 12:16 (NKJV)**

My dear friends, you should be quick to listen and slow to speak or to get angry. **James 1:19 (CEV)**

4) Embrace the Risk

We loved you so much that we shared with you not only God's Good News but our own lives, too.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 (NLT)

For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. **Philippians 4:13 (NLT)**

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. **1 John 3:16 (NIV)**

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT)