The Week of the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Sunday, August 28, 2022

Scripture: John 13:34

"I give you a new command, that you should love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

## Giving and Receiving Love

In all of the things that I have to be grateful for in my life, love is at the top of the list. Loving and being loved brings purpose and meaning to my life. The world is looking for love, but we should really be looking for God because God is love.

People look for fulfillment in life in many ways that seem good at first, but often leave us feeling frustrated, disappointed, and empty. Receiving God's love and walking in love with Him, I put love into action by continually reaching out to others and making an effort to show them love through various acts of kindness and hoping that they can find the fulfillment that they are desperately seeking.

Love will change your life. Ask God to help you receive and give love. Be thankful as you watch His love bring a fullness into your life that you have never known. It truly has been my way of life for decades. It has given me countless riches daily.

Prayer: Dear God, I am so thankful that You love me and that You have given me the ability to love others. Let Your love flow through me todays in ways that will be a blessing to others. Amen.

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