



1 Peter - Chapter 1:22-25

The New Life of Love

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¹¹ seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.



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1 Peter 4:12-13 (NASB)

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you;

¹³ but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation.



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¹⁴ As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours*
in your ignorance, ¹⁵ but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves
also in all *your* behavior; ¹⁶ because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, ~~FOR~~
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³⁴ "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. ³⁵ "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

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As a new creation in Christ Jesus, you **have** a sincere love of your fellow believers.

Therefore, because you have that love abiding in you, **exercise** that love toward one another.



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Paul **also** uses the term “obedience” in reference to faith in the gospel.
(Rom 1:5; 16:26)



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- Not the obligatory cultural signs of respect.



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This is the new-creation work of God in believers.



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Obedience to the truth in v22 is man's response to the gospel.
(FAITH)

And regeneration (or new birth) is God's work in those who believe.



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John 6:68

Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life."



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Isaiah 40:1-11

- ¹ "Comfort, O comfort My people," says your God.
- ² "Speak kindly to Jerusalem; And call out to her, that her warfare has ended, That her iniquity has been removed, That she has received of the LORD'S hand Double for all her sins."
- ³ A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.
- ⁴ "Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley;
- ⁵ Then the glory of the will be revealed, And all flesh will see *it* together; For the mouth of the has spoken."
- ⁶ A voice says, "Call out." Then he answered, "What shall I call out?"
All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.
- ⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades, When the breath of the blows upon it; Surely the people are grass.
- ⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever.



⁹ Get yourself up on a high mountain, O Zion, bearer of good news, Lift up your voice mightily, O Jerusalem, bearer of good news; Lift *it* up, do not fear. Say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!"

¹⁰ Behold, the Lord will come with might, With His arm ruling for Him. Behold, His reward is with Him And His recompense before Him.

¹¹ Like a shepherd He will tend His flock, In His arm He will gather the lambs And carry *them* in His bosom; He will gently lead the nursing ewes.



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We are waiting for the soon arrival of the Lord Jesus!