

## How To Become Closer As Brethren

1 Thessalonians 3:12 And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you,

1 John 4:21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.

John 13:34-35 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

### I. Spend Time Together In Worship

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

### II. Spend Time Together Away From The Assembly

Romans 12:10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

1 Peter 4:9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling.

Acts 2:46 So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,

### III. Bear With And Forgive One Another

Ephesians 4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Colossians 3:13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

Matthew 5:23-24 Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

#### IV. Help One Another Physically

Matthew 25:41-45 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; 43 I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' 44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' 45 Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'

Galatians 6:2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

1 John 3:17-18 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? 18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

#### V. Help One Another Emotionally

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

1 Thessalonians 4:18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Romans 12:15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

#### VI. Help One Another Spiritually

Hebrews 3:13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

James 5:19-20 Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, 20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.