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## **Each One! Bless One! You Make a Difference!**

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*We ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.*

**“By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.”**

**1 JOHN 3:16 (NKJ)**

**L**essons of the Cross - 2. See Part One, 31 March 2008. Jesus has set a kingdom operating pattern for us to emulate. The message of the Cross signifies selflessness. It signifies expression of the true and unfeigned love of God to man. This means we should express genuine and sincere love to one another.

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

**“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”**  
**John 3:16**

If you know **John 3:16**, you will understand **1 John 3:16**. How does it operate? Here are four lessons: Prayer, Giving, Serving, and Love.

### **GIVING:**

1. Give to those who are above you. Give to God and your Pastor and other ministers as you are led.

2. Secondly, give to the needy and poor such as orphans, widows, strangers, the destitute. **Proverb 19:17.**
3. Thirdly, help those who are at par with you in their quest to fulfill God's destiny for their lives. Sow into their lives for this purpose.
4. Finally, look forward for God's faithfulness to reward by faith. **Proverbs 11:24-25, Proverbs 3: 9-10.**

## LIVE THE LESSONS



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**SERVING:**

Serve God and serve those who are ahead of you, serve those who are following

You; be a servant Leader. Then, as you also serve your colleagues, look forward for God's faithful rewards. Luke 16:10-12.



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## LOVE:

Love God with all your heart, might and strength, then love your leader; next, love those who are under you as well as love your equals. Mark 12:29-31.

In conclusion, the message of the cross is selflessness, sacrificial love (agape) and

kindred spirit expression. This manifests God's character in our lives. Jesus had

come to reveal the true nature of God to man and then, reconcile man to God. Mt

5:3-16.

He had come to turn the minus in man's life to plus; change negative to positive

and sinners to saint so that Gentiles can be part of the commonwealth of Isreal and

aliens/slaves can have sonship right. God made him whop had no sin to be sin for

us, so that in Him, we might become the righteousness of God. 2Cor.

5:21. Finally, the Lord has given us the ministry of reconciliation 2 Cor.

5:18

God bless you richly.

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