

# Love Does

Romans 12:9-21

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Ten practical things that love does:

**1. Love is \_\_\_\_\_ and honest with the truth.**

- a) **Romans 12:9 (NIV84)** Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

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**2. Love is \_\_\_\_\_ to other believers.**

- a) **Romans 12:10 (NIV84)** Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

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**3. Love wholeheartedly \_\_\_\_\_ others.**

- a) **Romans 12:11 (NIV84)** Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

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**4. Love responds positively to \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) **Romans 12:12 (NIV84)** Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

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**5. Love practices \_\_\_\_\_ and hospitality.**

- a) **Romans 12:13 (NIV84)** Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

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**6. Love reacts \_\_\_\_\_ to persecution.**

- a) **Romans 12:14 (NIV84)** Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

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**7. Love \_\_\_\_\_ with both happy & sad people.**

- a) **Romans 12:15 (NIV84)** Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

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**8. Love shows special \_\_\_\_\_ for the less fortunate.**

- a) **Romans 12:16 (NIV84)** Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

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**9. Love refuses to react \_\_\_\_\_ to evil.**

- a) **Romans 12:17-18 (NIV84)** Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.<sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

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**10. Love rejects all temptations for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) **Romans 12:19-21 (NIV84)** Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.<sup>20</sup> On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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**Discussion Questions:**

1. What did you learn from this message? Share one point that stood out to you.
2. Give an example of something someone has lovingly DONE for you that clearly demonstrated God's love. How did it affect your life?
3. Review the ten things that love does (from the message). Which things do you want to trust God to grow in? Why?
4. How can you practically live a transformed life this week? Specifically, what are you going to do differently?
5. What would your life look like if you shamelessly showed love and grace to those around you? What will keep you from living this way?

**Resources**

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