



FAITH IN ACTION: TRACING A LEGACY OF LOVE

⁹The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps. **Proverbs 16:9**

⁴Show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths. ⁵Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all day long. **Psalm 25:4, 5**

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TEXT: ROMANS 13:8-10

TITLE: A LEGACY OF LOVE

I OWE YOU THAT

INTRODUCTION

- A. Teachings from my dad _____
1. "Pay your debts..."
2. "Have your own..."
- B. What are the consequences of not paying my love debt? _____
- C. Illustration _____

LOVE IS A DEBT I OWE

- A. Owe = *opheilō* = be in debt for, that which is due, the debt _____
- B. **Romans 13:8**, *Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.*
- C. **Romans 15:1** *We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves.*
- D. **Ephesians 5:28** *So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself.*
- E. **1 Corinthians 7:3** *Let the husband render to his wife the affection due her, and likewise also the wife to her husband.*
- F. **1 John 3:16**, *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 [sisters].*

WHOEVER LOVES OTHERS HAS FULFILLED THE LAW

- A. When I pay the debt of love, I fulfill the law _____
1. The first four commandments are love for God
2. The remaining six commandments are love for humanity
- B. Those six commandments = Love your neighbor as yourself _____
1. Who is my Neighbor?
2. Luke 10:25-37
3. Contemporary example
- C. God's love for me created a debt of love that **I now have with others** _____