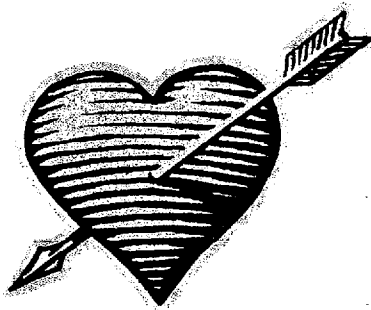



# Jesus' Great Commandment (*not* suggestion): Love One Another



"A new command I give you: **Love one another.**  
As I have **loved** you, so you must **love one another.**"  
- John 13:34

## End hunger and homelessness.

We are called to love everyone.

Here are  ways you can show love to those in need:

- 1. Pray for people in need.** Pray for those suffering hardship, that their wants would be met. Listen for God's call to you for service to all in need.
- 2. Educate yourself on the state of hungry people locally and globally.**  
Read the paper, read publications like *Bread for the World's* "Grace at the Table" and "How Much is Enough" ([www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org)), visit the Presbyterian Hunger Program's website ([www.pcusa.org/hunger](http://www.pcusa.org/hunger)) and local food-collection sites:  
**Second Harvest of Santa Clara County** (<http://www.2ndharvest.net/>)  
Attn: Cindy McCown, Director of Programs and Services, 750 Curtner Ave. , San Jose, CA 95125-2118; (408) 266-8866  
**Second Harvest of Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties** (<http://www.thefoodbank.org/>)  
Attn: Lee Mercer, Dir. of Education and Advocacy, PO Box 990, Watsonville, CA 95077; (831)722-7110  
**Community Food Pantry, Hollister** (<http://www.communitypantry.com>)  
Attn: Mary Ann Hughes; 30B Airport Dr., Hollister, CA 95023; (831) 637-0340  
**Monterey Food Bank** (<http://www.food4hungry.org>)  
Attn: Leslie Sunny, Director, PO Box 990, Watsonville, CA 95077; (831) 758-1523
- 3. Feed them:** In Mathew 25:35 we are told when we feed people we are feeding Jesus. Collect canned and pack aged food individually or at church. Give it to local food pantries (see above.) Consider offering regular hot meals at church or financially supporting agencies that do this in your community.
- 4. Contribute to agencies that help people in need individually and/or at church.** If we are to be the "hands and feet of Jesus in this place," we need to also be the wallet. See Pat Plant for a list of agencies in your community, the nation, and around the world who are tirelessly doing God's work.
- 5. Advocate for people in need.**
  - A. Join with our two *Bread for the World* groups** (one in Santa Clara county and one in Santa Cruz county) to advocate for better legislation for the needs of the poor.
  - B. Write letters** to the editors of newspapers and magazines on the irony of our rich country having so many impoverished people.
  - C. Work for extremely-low-income (<30% of area median income) housing** in your community.
- 6. Support efforts to end injustice.** Speak up and out! Learn about efforts to improve economic justice, raise the minimum wage, build more low-income housing, and other issues problematic to people in poverty.

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