

## I Have to Get Better

**2 Peter 1:4–11** For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust. Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in *your* moral excellence, knowledge, and in *your* knowledge, self-control, and in *your* self-control, perseverance, and in *your* perseverance, godliness, and in *your* godliness, brotherly kindness, and in *your* brotherly kindness, love. For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he who lacks these *qualities* is blind *or* short-sighted, having forgotten *his* purification from his former sins. Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ commandment in the Bible is to \_\_\_\_\_ one another.  
**Matthew 22:36–40, John 13:34–35, Romans 13:8–10, 1 Corinthians 13:1–2, Galatians 5:14**
2. To \_\_\_\_\_ others doesn't necessarily mean that you \_\_\_\_\_ them.
3. To \_\_\_\_\_ others doesn't necessarily mean that you have warm or \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ towards them.
4. Love is a \_\_\_\_\_ made up of a collection of \_\_\_\_\_ that are observable and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. If I truly love you, I will \_\_\_\_\_ you of \_\_\_\_\_. **Rev. 1:5, Col. 3:13–14**
6. If I truly love you, I won't get \_\_\_\_\_ at you, not even a little bit \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Ephesians 4:26–27, Ecclesiastes 7:9**
7. The national past time is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ others, but Christians who love others don't do that. **Proverbs 17:9, 1 Peter 4:8, Ephesians 4:30–32**
8. The reason there is so much gossiping and slandering done by people is because they have a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit, Christians pursuing love don't do that either. **Matthew 7:1–5, Romans 14:10–13**

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ discipline of love is to meet \_\_\_\_\_ that we observe in others. **1 John 3:16–18, Galatians 5:13**

10. The most powerful and proactive act of love is to \_\_\_\_\_ for people's observed and shared \_\_\_\_\_, needs, and trials. **Ephesians 6:18**

11. There is a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ words and behavior towards others in our day and age.

12. Loving Christians \_\_\_\_\_ everybody, and are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to everybody, especially to those who are rude and mean.

**Rom. 12:9–10, Eph. 4:2, 1 Pet. 2:17, 2 Tim. 1:13, Matt. 5:44–48, 1 Pet. 5:14, Prov. 15:1**

13. It is a new year, let's get \_\_\_\_\_. **2 Thes. 1:3, 1 Tim. 6:11**

14. We don't have to \_\_\_\_\_ in character and get \_\_\_\_\_, but if we do God will \_\_\_\_\_ us. **Luke 6:35**

15. God loves to \_\_\_\_\_ us with cool \_\_\_\_\_. **2 Peter 1:4–11**

16. God gives \_\_\_\_\_ to those who truly \_\_\_\_\_ others. **John 15:12–14, 1 John 4:16**

17. God gives His \_\_\_\_\_ to those who \_\_\_\_\_ to take the \_\_\_\_\_ way. **1 John 4:12**

18. God sees to it that we are well \_\_\_\_\_ by others when we choose to \_\_\_\_\_ others \_\_\_\_\_. **Matthew 7:12, Proverbs 16:7**

19. The \_\_\_\_\_ reward that we will receive for continual growth in this life is God's \_\_\_\_\_ filling us at the "Judgment Seat of Christ." **1 John 4:17, 2 Peter 1:4–11**