

Household stereotypes have undergone significant cultural changes over the decades.
We can uphold God's ideals while ministering to all people.



FAMILY FACES

PT.4 SINGLE-PARENT HOMES

Key Passages: _____

In 1970: ONE in every ____ households. Today: one in _____.

→ **What Can Cause This Family-Type?**

- 1) D_____/ S_____
 - 2) U_____ P_____
 - 3) D_____ of Spouse.
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I. •FOUR CHALLENGES:

- A) F_____ of roles.
 - B) A_____ to custody arrangements.
 - C) T_____ management.
 - D) E_____ issues.
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II. •CHURCH'S RESPONSE:

- A) Don't let past sin inhibit our
C_____ & A_____.
 - B) Scripture implores us to help...
 - 1) W_____
 - 2) Those in D_____
 - 3) P_____
 - 4) C_____.
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→ **What Are Some Helpful Hints?**

Christianity is a “One Another” Religion

“One another” is two words in English, but it’s only one word in Greek:

ἀλλήλων (*ah-LAY-loan*). It’s used 100 times in 94 New Testament verses. 47 of those verses give instructions to the church, and 60% of those instructions come from Paul.

When you look at these verses, a few more common themes show up.

Unity. One third of the one-another commands deal with the unity of the church.

Be at peace with one another (Mk 9:50)

Don’t grumble among one another (Jn 6:43)

Be of the same mind with one another (Ro 12:16, 15:5)

Accept one another (Ro 15:7)

Wait for one another before beginning the Eucharist (1 Co 11:33)

Don’t bite, devour, and consume one another—**seriously, guys, don’t eat each other** (Ga 5:15)

Don’t boastfully challenge or envy one another (Ga 5:26).

Gently, patiently tolerate one another (Ep 4:2)

Be kind, tender-hearted, and forgiving to one another (Ep 4:32)

Bear with and forgive one another (Co 3:13)

Seek good for one another, and don’t repay evil for evil (1 Th 5:15)

Don’t complain against one another (Jas 4:11, 5:9)

Confess sins to one another (Jas 5:16)

Love. One third of them instruct Christians to love one another.

Love one another (Jn 13:34, 15:12, 17; Ro 13:8; 1 Th 3:12, 4:9; 1 Pe 1:22; 1 Jn 3:11, 4:7, 11; 2 Jn 5)

Through love, serve one another (Ga 5:13)

Tolerate one another in love (Ep 4:2)

Greet one another with a kiss of love (1 Pe 5:14)

Be devoted to one another in love (Ro 12:10)

Humility. About 15% stress an attitude of humility and deference among believers.

Give preference to one another in honor (Ro 12:10)

Regard one another as more important than yourselves (Php 2:3)

Serve one another (Ga 5:13)

Wash one another’s feet (Jn 13:14)

Don’t be haughty: be of the same mind (Ro 12:16)

Be subject to one another (Ep 5:21)

Clothe yourselves in humility toward one another (1 Pe 5:5)

The Others:

Do not judge one another, and don’t put a stumbling block in a brother’s way (Ro 14:13)

Greet one another with a kiss (Ro 16:16; 1 Co 16:20; 2 Co 13:12)

Husbands and wives: don’t deprive one another of physical intimacy (1 Co 7:5)

Bear one another’s burdens (Ga 6:2)

Speak truth to one another (Ep 4:25)

Don’t lie to one another (Co 3:9)

Comfort one another concerning the resurrection (1 Th 4:18)

Encourage and build up one another (1 Th 5:11)

Stimulate one another to love and good deeds (He 10:24)

Pray for one another (Jas 5:16)

Be hospitable to one another (1 Pe 4:9)

Of course, Jesus and the apostles give many more instructions to the church; these “one another” passages are a good start, though.