**Abide in His Love**

**John 15:9-17 (ESV)**

     9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11 These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.      12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. 17 These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

     1) . . .There is No  Greater  Love.

     2) . . . By Loving  One  Another.

                  1 John 2:10-11

                       10 Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is

                       no cause for stumbling. 11 But whoever hates his brother is in the

                       darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is

                       going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

                 1 John 3:16-18

                       16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we

                       ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. 17 But if anyone has

                       the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart

                       against him, how does God's love abide in him? 18 Little children,

**let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.**

                 1 John 4:7-8

                       7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and

                       whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Anyone

                       who does not love does not know God, because God is love.