

**LESSON TITLE:
IT'S YOUR TURN**



**Expanding Our Reach
With & Without
Romans 15:7**

**“So reach out and
welcome one another to
God’s glory. Jesus did it;
now you do it.”**

Romans 15:7 (MSG)

**JANUARY SERMON
SERIES
It's Your Turn**

Loving Like Jesus

John 13:34-35 , "I'm giving you a new commandment: Love each other in the same way that I have loved you. Everyone will know that you are My disciples because of your love for each other."

**Leviticus 19:18, Do not seek
revenge or bear a grudge
against anyone among your
people but love your neighbor
as yourself. I am the Lord.**

“Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.”

Four Aspects of Christlike Love:

1. The CHARACTER of Christlike Love

John 15:13, No one has greater love than this, that someone would lay down his life for his friends.



Christlike love is:
SACRIFICIAL
SELFLESS
FORGIVING

2. The SOURCE of Christlike Love

I John 4:16, So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

**“To love is to see the face of
God in everyone, for love
comes from God.”**

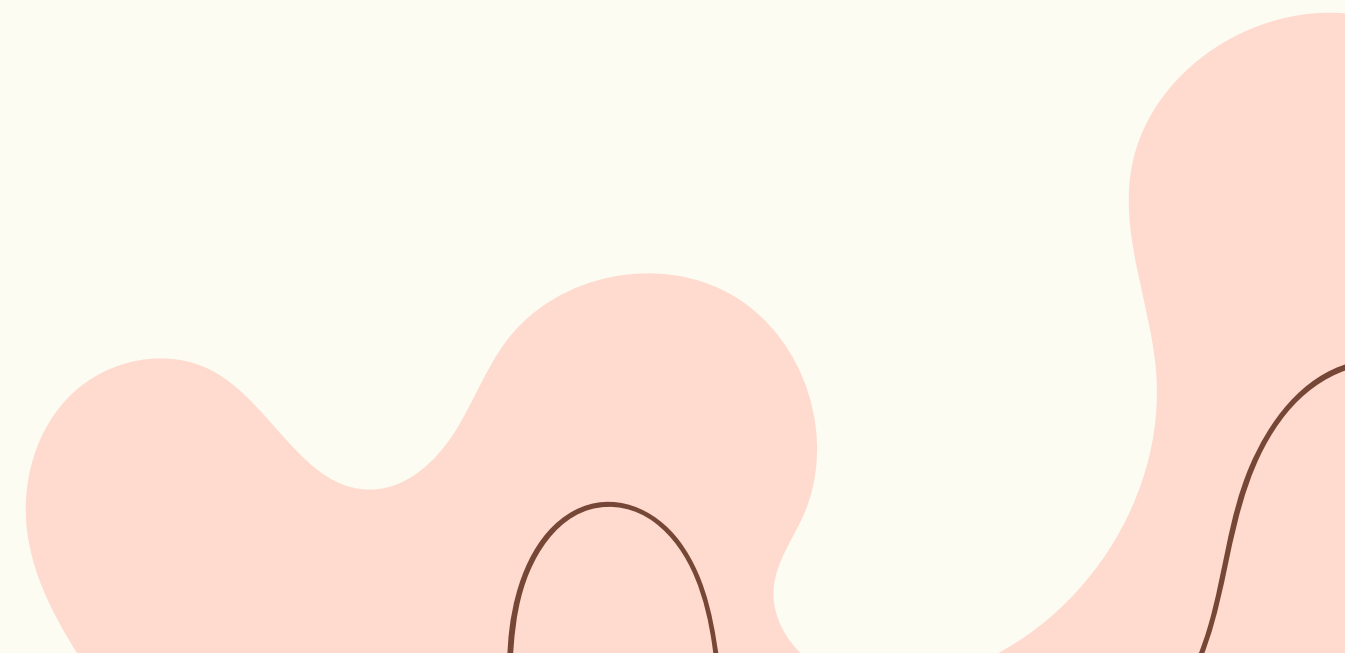
**Romans 5:5, "...Because
God's love has been poured
out in our hearts through the
Holy Spirit who was given to
us."**

I Thessalonians 4:9-10, You don't need anyone to write to you about the way Christians should love each other. God has taught you to love each other. In fact, you are showing love to all the Christians throughout the province of Macedonia. We encourage you as believers to excel in love even more.

3. The STANDARD of Christlike Love

**"Love endures long and is
patient and kind."
I Corinthians 13:4**

**Love is not an emotion;
it is a decision.**



4. The EXPRESSION of Christlike Love

**Therefore, as God's chosen people,
holy and dearly loved, clothe
yourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness and
patience. Bear with each other and
forgive one another if any of you have
a grievance against someone.**

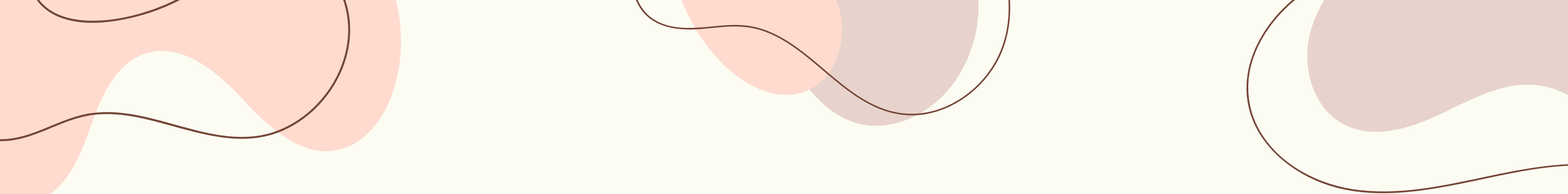
Colossians 3:12-14, Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.



Three Expressions to Love Like Jesus:



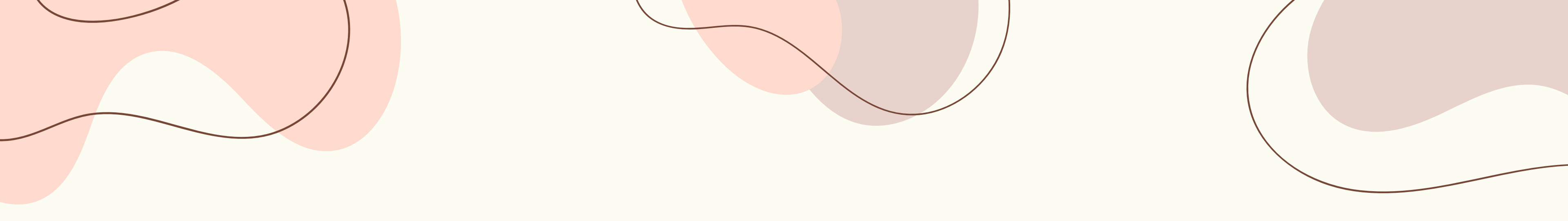
1. Love Expresses INDEBTEDNESS.



Romans 13:8, Pay your debts as they come due. However, one debt you can never finish paying is the debt of love that you owe each other. The one who loves another person has fulfilled Moses' Teachings.



2. Love is COSTLY.



John 3:16, For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.



Romans 5:8, But God proves His love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



**3. Love is
TRANSFORMATIONAL.**



**Keep yourself in the love of God.
Jude 21**

Five Practical Ways to Love Like Jesus:

- 1. Be Honest**
- 2. Be Respectful**
- 3. Be Forgiving**
- 4. Meet Needs**
- 5. Pursue Peace**

Love is our Trademark.

**And now abide faith,
hope, LOVE, these
three; but the greatest
of these is LOVE.**