

## Sincere Love

### Romans 12:9 – 21

*“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.”*

Romans 12:9 – 10

**Main Idea:** Sincere love is possible when we focus on the Lord’s presence.

#### Sincerity matters (v. 9)

- Hypocrisy is pretending to be something you are not.

#### Love for God’s family (v. 10 – 13)

- Sincere love makes God’s family a priority.
- Sincere love values others first.
- Sincere love for God’s family shows the Lord your heart for Him.
- Your sincere love for God’s people is fueled by God’s faithfulness.
- Sincere love does not overlook those in need.

#### Love for God’s family and everyone else (v. 14 – 16)

- Sincere love does not retaliate.
- Sincere love empathizes.
- Sincere love shows respect to others.

#### We aren’t alone in difficult relationships (v. 17 – 21)

- Sincere love doesn’t settle scores; it seeks to offer kindness.
- Don’t allow another’s sin to turn you into a bitter soul; sin against you is an opportunity to make Jesus look good.