Space for God A New Commandment

PREPARATION

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7

WORSHIP

Who will not fear you, Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous deeds have been revealed.
Revelation 15:4

CONFESSION

For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. Galatians 5:13

You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply

with all your heart.

1 Peter 1:22

MEDITATION - John 13:31-35*

As soon as Judas left the room, Jesus said, "The time has come for the Son of Man to enter into his glory, and God will be glorified because of him. And since God receives glory because of the Son, he will give his own glory to the Son, and he will do so at once. Dear children, I will be with you only a little longer. And as I told the Jewish leaders, you will search for me, but you can't come where I am going. So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

IN SOLITUDE AND/OR COMMUNITY	
Read	Slowly, several times.
Reflect	What does the text say?
Respond	How does it relate to my life?
Rest	I welcome God's healing and renewal.

ANCHORING PRAYER

I am Your disciple.

REVIEW OF THE HEART

When did I show love to someone else? When did I choose to withhold love?

WISDOM

Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. Ephesians 4:2

This is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another.

1 John 3:11

TESTIMONY What is God saying to me?

INTERCESSION Prayers for the Church, for others, and for me.

BENEDICTION

And may the Lord make your love for one another and for all people grow and overflow, just as our love for you overflows. May he, as a result, make your hearts strong, blameless, and holy as you stand before God our Father when our Lord Jesus comes again with all his holy people.

[Amen]

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

SPACE FOR GOD DAILY Be still and quiet before God. Seek the Holy Spirit's filling and gui-Speak and act from a listening heart.

Actively serve in community with others.

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