

The Avanti PRE Curriculum

Resource Sheet 7.5.5b

“Quotes on Christian Love”

The sheet includes quotes that the teacher may include in the lesson.

Christian Quotes on Love

“Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end... And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.” (NRSV, 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, 13)

“Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one rule: "Love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no harm to its neighbour. Therefore love is the fulfilment of the law.” (NIV, Romans 13:8-10)

“We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.” (NRSV, 1 John 4:19-21)

“There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear,¹ because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.” (John, 4.18-19)

“No one is to be called an enemy, all are your benefactors, and no one does you harm. You have no enemy except yourselves.” (St. Francis of Assisi).

“He loved people, children, old people, women. He is the most shining example of that *agape* we talked about earlier.” (Pope Francis, speaking on St. Francis).