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These things I command you, that you love one another John 15-17

What is the most often asked question from a youngster? It only has three letters but oh; how it drives the recipient mad as it is asked repeatedly on a daily basis. Why do I have to clean my room? Why do I have to do my homework now? Why do you say that I must eat Brussel sprouts? Can you remember the answer that was usually the same answer for all **Why** questions? Because I have told you too. The answer came usually from our parents or grandparents but never the teacher at school. It appears that teachers are exempt from that particular question. We all know that we all at some time or another have to do as we are told, but even more so as a child it is expected of children to do as they are told. You do not have the choice as a youngster, but it is a bit different as an adult, we do have a choice yet we are still expected to live by the rules of society. But there is one rule that is above all the rules, and that is the one which; is a command from Jesus to "love one another" just as he loves us. Jesus loved us from the beginning of each of our times and loves us to the very end of our time when he takes us home to himself. But Jesus loved everybody without question. I am sure there have been people around you at some point in your life that you would ask Lord WHY do I have to love this person who I honestly cannot like, but as one of your children I must make the choice to love without question, and that is because just as we were told as children because I say so then that is your answer. Because Jesus commanded us to love one another as he loves us. Jesus says because I told you to. Love is so important to Jesus and we can only pray that we will always do as we are told to and love every one as we have been loved by God above. By praying we will be asking How and not Why.