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Let brotherly love continue (Heb. 13:1). Bear one another's burdens (Gal. 6:2). Be careful for nothing (don't worry about anything) — (Phil. 4:6). Quench not the Spirit (1 Thess. 5:19). Lie not one to another (Col. 3:9). Walk in the Spirit (Gal. 5:16). Walk ye in Him (Col. 2:6). Love not the world (1 John 2:15). Keep yourselves from idols (1 John 5:21). Let us walk honestly (Rom. 13:13). Be ye therefor sober (1 Pet. 4:7). Be of one mind (2 Cor. 13:11). Be clothed with humility (1 Pet. 5:5). Be sober, be vigilant (1 Pet. 5:8). Think on these things (Phil. 4:8 and see context). Be of good courage (Psalm 27:14). Be of good comfort (2 Cor. 13:11). Overcome evil with good (Rom. 12:21). Take heed unto thyself (1 Tim. 4:16). Exercise thyself unto godliness (1 Tim. 4:7). Therefore, brethren, stand fast (2 Thess. 2:15).

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