

REUNIONS ?



GRIEF

CHRISTIAN-REUNIONS



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THE
ELEPHANT
IN THE ROOM



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Love each other **deeply** with all your heart.
23. For you have been born again, but not to a life that will quickly end.
Your new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God.

- ²⁴ As the Scriptures say,
“People are like grass;
their beauty is like a flower in the field.
The grass withers and the flower fades.

²⁵ But the word of the Lord remains forever.”
And that word is the Good News
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Niceness & Politeness

Fleeting- Sincerity

But what's sadly lacking...?

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- so see to it that you really do love each other warmly, with all your hearts.
- ²³ For you have a new life. It was not passed on to you from your parents, for the life they gave you will fade away.
- This new one will last forever, for it comes from Christ, God's ever-living Message to men.
- ²⁴ Yes, our natural lives will fade as grass does when it becomes all brown and dry. All our greatness is like a flower that droops and falls;
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Why we the lack... **Sincere -Deep-Love?**

- Though **Sincere-Love...** is build into the “New- Us”
 1. We *love -knowledge* more than they we love people
 2. We **choose** to love and follow God as **individuals...** and not as a corporate body
 3. Sincere-Love ... is seen as a “**optional extra**” and not as the ultimate expression of real Christianity
 4. Why choose **one** over **the other**?



PRETENCE

must go

For “**Deep Sincere Love**” to shine through