

Kindness/Loving Kindness 100 Citations (ESV) *Chesed love*

[Ephesians 4:32](#) Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

[Luke 6:35](#) But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.

[Proverbs 11:17](#) A man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself.

[Colossians 3:12](#) Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

[Proverbs 31:26](#) She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

[1 Corinthians 13:4-7](#) Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

[Proverbs 19:17](#) Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed.

[1 John 3:18](#) Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

[Galatians 6:10](#) So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

[1 Peter 3:9](#) Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.

[Galatians 5:22](#) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

[Philippians 2:1-30](#) So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ...

[Romans 11:22](#) Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off.

[1 Peter 4:8](#) Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.

[Acts 20:35](#) In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

[1 Corinthians 13:4](#) Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant

[Romans 2:4](#) Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

[Colossians 3:14](#) And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

[Galatians 5:22-23](#) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

[1 John 3:17](#) But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

[1 Peter 3:8](#) Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.

[Micah 6:8](#) He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

[Proverbs 19:22](#) What is desired in a man is steadfast love, and a poor man is better than a liar.

[Matthew 5:42](#) Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

[Proverbs 21:21](#) Whoever pursues righteousness and kindness will find life, righteousness, and honor.

[Ephesians 4:29](#) Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

[2 Peter 1:7](#) And godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

[Matthew 25:34-36](#) Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.'

[Proverbs 14:21](#) Whoever despises his neighbor is a sinner, but blessed is he who is generous to the poor.

[Romans 15:2](#) Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.

[Acts 28:2](#) The native people showed us unusual kindness, for they kindled a fire and welcomed us all, because it had begun to rain and was cold.

[Isaiah 54:10](#) For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

[2 Thessalonians 3:13](#) As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

[Matthew 5:7](#) "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

[Titus 3:4](#) But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared,

[John 3:16](#) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

[Galatians 6:2](#) Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

[2 Corinthians 6:6](#) By purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love;

[Zechariah 7:9](#) "Thus says the LORD of hosts, Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy to one another,

[Ruth 3:10](#) And he said, "May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich.

[1 Peter 3:8-9](#) Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.

[Romans 12:10](#) Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.

[Joshua 2:12](#) Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that, as I have dealt kindly with you, you also will deal kindly with my father's house, and give me a sure sign

[Psalm 117:2](#) For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

[Ephesians 2:7](#) So that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

[Nehemiah 9:17](#) They refused to obey and were not mindful of the wonders that you performed among them, but they stiffened their neck and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them.

[1 Timothy 5:10](#) And having a reputation for good works: if she has brought up children, has shown hospitality, has washed the feet of the saints, has cared for the afflicted, and has devoted herself to every good work.

[Romans 12:15](#) Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

[Romans 15:1](#) We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

[Matthew 5:43-48](#) "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ...

[2 Samuel 9:7](#) And David said to him, "Do not fear, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan, and I will restore to you all the land of Saul your father, and you shall eat at my table always."

[Luke 6:27-31](#) "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

[Matthew 6:14](#) For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you,

[Joel 2:13](#) And rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

[2 Samuel 2:6](#) Now may the LORD show steadfast love and faithfulness to you. And I will do good to you because you have done this thing.

[Romans 15:5](#) May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus,

[Romans 5:8](#) But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

[Colossians 3:12-13](#) Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

[Genesis 40:14](#) Only remember me, when it is well with you, and please do me the kindness to mention me to Pharaoh, and so get me out of this house.

[1 Corinthians 13:1-13](#) If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ...

[Acts 14:17](#) Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness."

[Isaiah 54:8](#) In overflowing anger for a moment I hid my face from you, but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you," says the LORD, your Redeemer.

[Proverbs 15:1](#) A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

[Genesis 21:23](#) Now therefore swear to me here by God that you will not deal falsely with me or with my descendants or with my posterity, but as I have dealt kindly with you, so you will deal with me and with the land where you have sojourned."

[Psalm 141:5](#) Let a righteous man strike me—it is a kindness; let him rebuke me—it is oil for my head; let my head not refuse it. Yet my prayer is continually against their evil deeds.

[Psalm 31:21](#) Blessed be the LORD, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city.

[2 Samuel 9:1-13](#) And David said, "Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?" Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and they called him to David. And the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" And he said, "I am your servant." And the king said, "Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him?" Ziba said to the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet." The king said to him, "Where is he?" And Ziba said to the king, "He is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar." Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. ...

[1 Samuel 20:15](#) And do not cut off your steadfast love from my house forever, when the LORD cuts off every one of the enemies of David from the face of the earth.”

[1 Samuel 20:14](#) If I am still alive, show me the steadfast love of the LORD, that I may not die;

[Ruth 2:20](#) And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, “May he be blessed by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!” Naomi also said to her, “The man is a close relative of ours, one of our redeemers.”

[2 Samuel 2:5](#) David sent messengers to the men of Jabesh-gilead and said to them, “May you be blessed by the LORD, because you showed this loyalty to Saul your lord and buried him.

[1 Samuel 15:6](#) Then Saul said to the Kenites, “Go, depart; go down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them. For you showed kindness to all the people of Israel when they came up out of Egypt.” So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.

[Genesis 24:12](#) And he said, “O LORD, God of my master Abraham, please grant me success today and show steadfast love to my master Abraham.

[Zechariah 7:10](#) Do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor, and let none of you devise evil against another in your heart.”

[Psalm 112:5](#) It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice.

[Galatians 6:9](#) And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

[Luke 6:38](#) Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

[Galatians 6:1](#) Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

[Psalm 36:7](#) How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

[Genesis 24:14](#) Let the young woman to whom I shall say, ‘Please let down your jar that I may drink,’ and who shall say, ‘Drink, and I will water your camels’—let her be the one whom you have appointed for your servant Isaac. By this I shall know that you have shown steadfast love to my master.”

[Genesis 20:13](#) And when God caused me to wander from my father's house, I said to her, ‘This is the kindness you must do me: at every place to which we come, say of me, He is my brother.’”

[1 Timothy 6:18](#) They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,

[James 1:27](#) Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

[2 Samuel 9:1](#) And David said, “Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?”

[Acts 27:3](#) The next day we put in at Sidon. And Julius treated Paul kindly and gave him leave to go to his friends and be cared for.

[Romans 13:10](#) Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

[Luke 6:30](#) Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back.

[Proverbs 3:2-4](#) For length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

[Romans 8:35-39](#) Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

[Luke 12:33-34](#) Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

[Luke 6:34](#) And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount.

[Proverbs 3:3](#) Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.

[Romans 12:9-13](#) Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

[2 Samuel 9:3](#) And the king said, "Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him?" Ziba said to the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet."

[Leviticus 19:34](#) You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

[Acts 24:23](#) Then he gave orders to the centurion that he should be kept in custody but have some liberty, and that none of his friends should be prevented from attending to his needs.

[1 Kings 2:7](#) But deal loyally with the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be among those who eat at your table, for with such loyalty they met me when I fled from Absalom your brother.

[Joshua 2:6-16](#) But she had brought them up to the roof and hid them with the stalks of flax that she had laid in order on the roof. So the men pursued after them on the way to the Jordan as far as the fords. And the gate was shut as soon as the pursuers had gone out. Before the men lay down, she came up to them on the roof and said to the men, "I know that the LORD has given you the land, and that the fear of you has fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you. For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon and Og, whom you devoted to destruction. ...

[Proverbs 31:10-31](#) An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant; she brings her food from afar. ...

[Judges 8:35](#) And they did not show steadfast love to the family of Jerubbaal (that is, Gideon) in return for all the good that he had done to Israel.