Prescribed Scriptures

Use the Prescribed Scripture link to determine which of the following Scriptures resonate with you most. Choose 1 to 3 of these Scriptures for your focus. Perhaps there are other Scriptures beyond this list that seem to speak more directly to you. Go with the Scripture that speaks to the state of affairs you wish to address.

1. **1 Corinthians 13:4-8a (NRSV)** 4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. 7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never ends.
2. **John 14:23 (NIV)** Jesus replied, “If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.”
3. **1 John 4:7 (NIV)** Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.
4. **1 Corinthians 8:1b (RSV)** …love builds up.
5. **Romans 13:10 (NASB)** Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfillment of *the* law.
6. **Matthew 5:41-42 (NIV)** If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. 42Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.
7. **Proverbs 15:17 (AMP)** He who covers *and* forgives an offense seeks love, but he who repeats *or* harps on a matter separates even close friends.
8. **Romans 12:9 (TLB)** Don’t just pretend that you love others: really love them. Hate what is wrong. Stand on the side of the good.
9. **Mark 12:31 (NRSV)** you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ 31The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.
10. **Luke 6:32-35 (NIV)** If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. 33And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. 34And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. 35But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because He (God) is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.