Love

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22 But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, 23 to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect, 24 to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

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28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, 29 for our “God is a consuming fire.”

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A. Philadelphia - Love of the brethren (1)

- Continue. Keep on
- See Jesus

B. Philaxenia – Love of the stranger (2)

- Do not forget
- Entertaining Angels

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Philippians 1:29 – "For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him.“

1 Peter 4:12–13 – "Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ."

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D. Love Marriage (4)

- This is love of God
- To be honored by all
- Marriage bed kept pure
- God will judge

Conclusion

We have been welcomed home

What mountain are you living from?