

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

1. When I go, you will look for me,
when I go, you will wonder.
When I go, you will look for me;
but I won't be gone, you will see me when you . . .

*Love one another (Yeah!),
love one another (Alriiight!),
care for each other (OK);
love one another as I have loved you all.*

2. If you love, you are friends of mine;
if you love, you're my children.
If you love, you are friends of mine;
everyone will know I am with you when you . . .

3. Love your friends, love your enemies
anytime, anybody.
Love your friends, love your enemies;
in this mystery you are loving me, so . . .

1980. Almost an extended Scripture chorus, based on sections of John's gospel. I added the extra words in the chorus (bracketed) to try to get the kids at Immanuel College in Adelaide to sing along a little more. (I used to sing there five or six times a year.) It worked, with this song anyway, and this version has proved a winner with kids of all ages. The 'Yeah', 'Alriiight' and 'OK' have to be sung in a slightly exaggerated stage whisper — and with a slight American accent.

I've even developed a rationale for this: Jesus' command is clear and strong, so sing the main chorus in a loud voice; however, we're not very good at loving and caring, not even sure we want to love and care, so sing the response words quietly.

When we get tired of loving, wake us up again.

When we become self-obsessed, attract our attention and help us to see you in our neighbour.

When we are discouraged by the apparent failure of our efforts,
inspire us by whatever means you know is best for us.

Use: Easter 5 B C, Easter 6, Easter 7 A, Pentecost C,
farewell, close of worship, blessing, confirmation,