

UNDERSTANDING OUR FAITH

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PILLAR ON WHICH EVERYTHING STANDS

There are three loves: the love of G-d, the love of the Torah, and the love of a fellow Jew. Of the three, love of one's fellow is the greatest, for if one possesses true love of his fellow, he automatically loves G-d and the Torah. This is not the case of the other two loves. (Sichah of Shabbos Parshas Ki Savo 5705)

When a person harbors hatred and disunity below, it causes G-d to separate from him above, leading the person to sin. This is the main cause for the long exile.

On the other hand, by focusing on loving every Jew, even someone whom we do not know, and by doing random and anonymous acts of goodness and kindness, we bring blessings above and below. Ultimately, it is this unity that will bring the Final Redemption.

