Prime Directives For Sincere Saints

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So what are the prime directives for sincere saints?

- 1. God's grace initiates **Holiness** (1:13-21)
 - Our minds are <u>focused</u> (verse 13) Colossians 3:1-3; Phil 4:8-11
 - Our appetites are <u>controlled</u> Sober (verse 13) 2 Cor 10:3-5
 - o Our hopes are **fixed** (verse 13)
 - Our direction is <u>forward</u> by faith (verses 14-21) don't go back!
- 2. God's grace **generates** love (1:22-25) 1 John(4:7-21)
 - Love will be <u>sincere</u>
 - Love will be <u>passionate</u> (fervent)
 - Love will be <u>pure</u> (of heart)
 - Love will be spiritual
 - Love will be <u>natural</u>
- 3. God's grace **<u>creates</u>** harmony (2:1-3)
 - Harmony happens when we are hungry for the Word of God and not the world of man. see 1:24-25
 - You can always tell where a person's heart is by his appetites.
- 4. God's grace **operates** in community (2:4-10) "living stones built up into **a** spiritual house."
 - We are Children in the same <u>family</u> 1:22-2:3
 - We are Stones in the same <u>building</u> (2:4-8)
 - We are citizens of the same <u>kingdom</u> 2:10