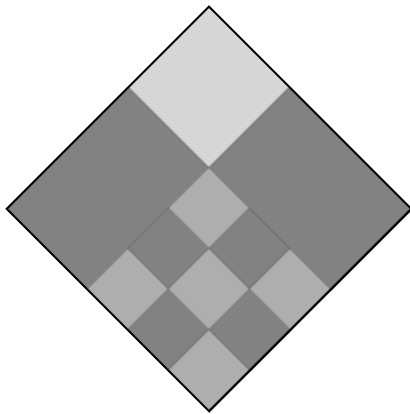




Have A Little Faith PATTERN

# Block 5: Everlasting Love

Pattern for a 5" finished block—All seams are 1/4".  
Pressing directions are indicated.



Fabric needed for one block & Cutting instructions

<b>Fabric 1</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (1) 2-1/2" square
<b>Fabric 2</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (2) 2-1/2"x3-1/2" rectangles (4) 1-1/2" squares
<b>Fabric 3</b>	Fat 1/16th yard or scrap (5) 1-1/2" squares

*"Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so."* **Anna B. Warner, 1860.** This was the first children's hymn I learned, and I knew, without a doubt, that Jesus loved me. In fact, in the Bible, God tells us more than 40 times that he loves us with an everlasting love. *"I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I continued my faithfulness to you."* **Jeremiah 31: 3.** The Oxford Annotated Bible, with the Apocrypha, Expanded Edition, 1977. What greater love can there be than to give up one's life for another?

Try as we might, we are unable to love unconditionally, as God does. In childhood, we love our parents, but often measure their love for us by their actions. As we enter adolescence, we fall in "love" (sometimes, many times), but that love is usually fleeting. As we mature, we carefully select our life's partner — sure that our love is steadfast and abiding. How many weddings have you attended where the reading comes from **1 Corinthians 13: 4-7** *"Love is patient and kind love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things."* Even though we should be living our lives through this example, love is easier said than done. Our patience can be easily tapped by our spouse, our friends, our co-workers and our children. Petty jealousy and envy seeps into our lives in the workplace and in our families. We should (but we don't always) put up with people who irritate us, give people the benefit of the doubt, expect the best in all situations, and turn the other cheek when people are rude to us, irritate us, brag to us, envy us or resent us. So when we truly examine ourselves, we fall far short of God's example of everlasting love.

But we needn't feel too badly about falling short. God knows our hearts and knows our intentions. He also knows that we are not perfect, and encourages us to keep trying, *"Above all hold unfailing your love for one another, since love covers a multitude of sins."* **1 Peter 4: 8.**

God is the source of all love. He asks us to keep trying to love as He has loved us. Is there someone you should reach out to and share God's love? Is it possible to love your enemies?

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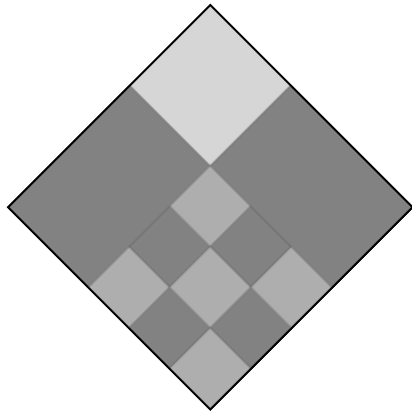
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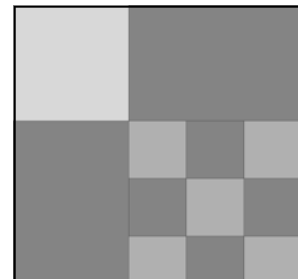
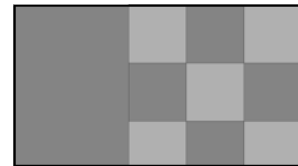
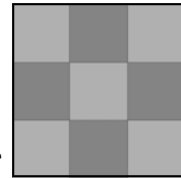
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## Instructions

1. Stitch Fabric 2 & Fabric 3 1-1/2" squares together in three rows to form a nine-patch unit. Press toward the darker fabric.
2. Stitch the Fabric 1 2-1/2" square to the left side of a Fabric 2 rectangle. Press toward the rectangle.
3. Stitch the remaining unit from Fabric 2 rectangle to the left side of the 9-patch unit from Step 1. Press toward the unit from Step 2.
4. Stitch the units from Steps 3 and 4 together to complete your block. Press toward the unit from Step 3.



Your unfinished block should measure 5-1/2"

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