

A Luminous Description of Christian Love

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Text: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Three Questions to Help Us Grow in Love

- How do I see _____ in these verses?
- How do I see, or fail to see, _____ in these verses?
- If I were more like this description, what would it look like in practice?

The Description of Christian love

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| • Love is patient | • It is not easily angered |
| • Love is kind | • It keeps no record of wrongs |
| • It does not envy | • Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth |
| • It does not boast | • Love always protects |
| • It is not proud | • Love always trusts |
| • It is not rude | • Love always hopes |
| • It is not self-seeking | • Love always perseveres |

Honest Evaluation and Growth in Love

- Self-examination
- Work on _____ limitations
- Take _____ action

Life Enrichment

What about today's sermon challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- What are some ways you saw Jesus in these verses? How did you see yourself in these verses?
- If we were to live by Paul's description, how would life be different? Family life? Work? Business?
- Reviewing Paul's description, what are the areas that stood out as important to you? Why?
- What are some areas you are succeeding in Christian love? How do you think your successes are affecting other people?
- What areas of limitation is the Holy Spirit speaking to you about? What are some actions you can take to grow in those areas of love?
- How have you recently experienced Christian love? How did that experience draw you closer to Christ?