

Love = A VERB REQUIRING ACTION

#2. Who love serves!

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. I Cor. 12:27

#3. How love responds!

And now I will show you the most excellent way. I Cor. 12:31

#4. When love stops!

Pursue Love! I Cor. 14:1 (NASV)

Pursue = A RELENTLESS ACTIVITY

Set love as your goal and pursue it relentlessly!

GROUP DISCUSSION

Who was the first boy or girl, teacher or neighbor with whom you fell in love?

Read: I Corinthians 12:31b-14:1a

Talk through the four so what? What difference does any of this make, action steps:

#1. What love does! "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth."

Which one of these statements of love is the most difficult and the easiest for you to do? If love is a verb requiring action what's one aspect of love, which is a part of God's character, would you like to work on and what exactly would you do?

#2. Who love serves! "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

What's the most difficult part of balancing loving your family, your neighborhood, your friends and your church? Where do you spend the most time, the least time? Do you need to make a correction and spend more time on any of those?

#3. How love responds! "And now I will show you the most excellent way."

If you wanted to show your husband, wife, parents, best friend, whoever, what is the number 1 excellent thing you would do to show love?

#4. When love stops! "Pursue Love!" Set love as your goal and pursue it relentlessly is a slogan but, how are you relentless in your love of someone close to you? Why is excellence never going to be easy?

Family Time: Read I Corinthians 13:4-6 to your kids and ask them which one of Paul's 10 commandments about love they do best and the one they need to work on. Help them