

ORDER OF SERVICE

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Worship in Fellowship
Worship in Music
Worship in Blessing Our Schools
Worship in Message
Worship in Giving

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Don't Hate. Keep Loving!

1 Cor. 13; 1 John 4

Undaunted Series

Life Change: We love.

2 Timothy 1:7 is the undaunted action plan.

No spirit of timidity.

God's power.

Discipline.

Love. (ἀγάπη agape)

Without love, one is empty.

1 Cor 13:1-3

Skills become mere brassy noise.

Knowledge becomes vain.

Amazing faith becomes emptiness.

Sacrifice becomes profitless.

With love, one has all things.

Love is:

Love is not:

Love does not:

Love does:

How does love overcome fear?

We bear fruit by remaining in God's love.

1 John 4

15-16

God's love grants confidence for the hereafter and here.

17-18

Reminder: it all starts with God's love.

19

Self-test: hatred of humans.

20-21

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A dramatic seascape with a person standing on a pier, looking out at the ocean under a stormy sky with lightning. The scene is split into two halves by a vertical line, with the left half showing a sunset and the right half showing a storm. The person is silhouetted against the horizon.

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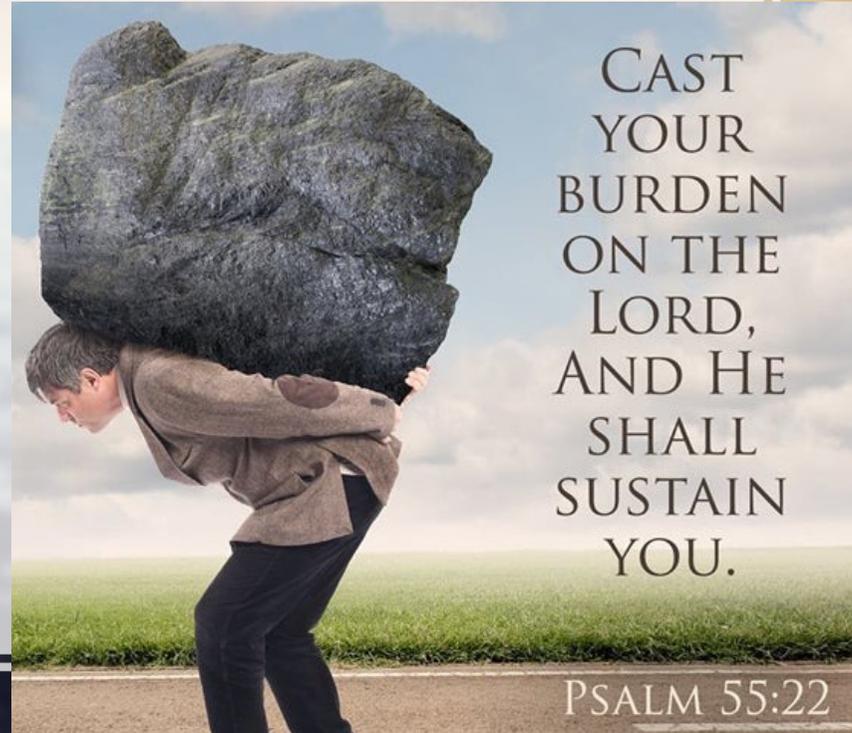
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I am so thankful that you are preaching about living Undaunted. So many let fear grip them in a crippling way. I even know believers in Jesus who seem to have made fear their idol. – C

During the sermon yesterday, I realized that my unhealthy fear is not of God. I am simply giving it to him. Ps. 55:22. – R



CAST
YOUR
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PSALM 55:22

Thinking about how the “power” aspect of 2 Timothy 1:7 fits with the “love” part reminded me of the final scene in the 2000 film X-Men. Prof. Xavier refuses to relinquish his relationship with Magneto despite the harm Magneto has caused. Xavier says, “I’ll always be here, old friend.” That should be interpreted two ways – I’ll be here to stop



you from making war and I’ll also always be here as your friend. No fear because of power and love!

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**No wind, so
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Leviticus 26

36 “I will put anxiety [deilia] in the hearts [pneuma]...The sound of a wind-driven leaf will put them to flight, and they will flee as one flees from a sword, and fall though no one is pursuing them.” CSB

2 Timothy 1

⁸ So don't be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, or of me his prisoner. Instead, share in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God. ⁹ He has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began. ^{CSB}

“Don't fear. Use your superpower!”

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Greek: σωφρονισμός sophronesmos = very old term that didn't gather new meanings over time, because sophronesmos always meant a lot of nuanced things – rational, undeceived, purposeful, prudent, correct, and disciplined

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The four loves in Greek

Eros – passionate love; sensual desire

Storge – natural, familial affection

Philia – loyal, brotherly friendship love

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Luke

John

Act

Rom

1 Corinthians

2 Co

Gal

Eph

Phi



courtesy Pine Cove Note: the staff was much smaller when I was there.



courtesy Pine Cove

Some of you are sitting there, comparing yourself to Drano [my camp name], thinking, “Wow. I want to be like that.” What foolishness! You don’t know him like I do. He sometimes struggles unsuccessfully to love people. What you desire are his *gifts*, but those gifts are worthless without love. All of us – including



Drano – must first and foremost grow in love. – Phil Hook

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courtesy getty



I realize that I have in reality left no legacy with you. This is not your fault. It is mine. The problem is not lack of knowledge but a lack of unconditional love. I am terribly sorry and look forward to changing this by God's power. In the years I have left, I intend to replace a nothing legacy with a loving one. – Steve

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courtesy healthandwellness



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Ha ha!
I got it!

courtesy White House



**Trust, but
agapify!**

courtesy Ryan Bailey

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taxation – forced sacrifice



psomizo – willful sacrifice



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Roman ring structure

16 or 17 concepts (17th was just an introduction)

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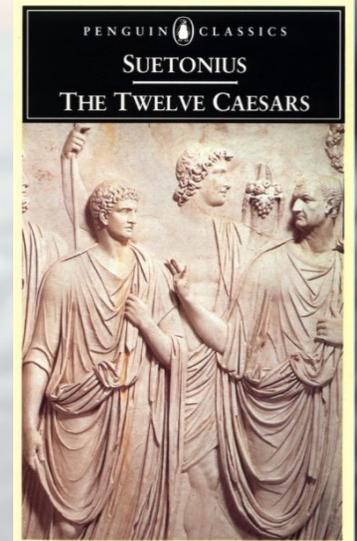
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**You must add
Romanesque poetry!
– Nero to the Olympic
committee, 67 A.D.**



Mosaic of Nero singing courtesy vintage

During the [ridiculously lengthy] time of his performance, nobody was allowed to stir out of the theatre upon any account, however necessary...It is said some women with child were delivered there. Many of the spectators being quite wearied with hearing and applauding him ...counterfeited themselves dead [and] were carried out for their funeral. – Suetonius, *Lives of the Twelve Caesars*. Nero c. 23



Roman ring structure & Paul's 1 Cor love poem

17th concept (intro) – 12:31 “a more excellent way”

The 16 parts of 13:1-8:

3 thoughts – Love is

5 thoughts – Love is not

+ on a different or inverse tack

3 statements – Love does not

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When [self-seeking] eclipses the more noble reasons for which we do our work, our tasks and relationships become more about us, advancing our name, image, and influence than humbly serving those to whom God has called us. Subtly, perhaps even unconsciously, we bring a less-than-holy angle to our work, an angle that puts our own glory ahead of God's. – Meryl Herr “Avoiding Selfish Ambition in Your Work”



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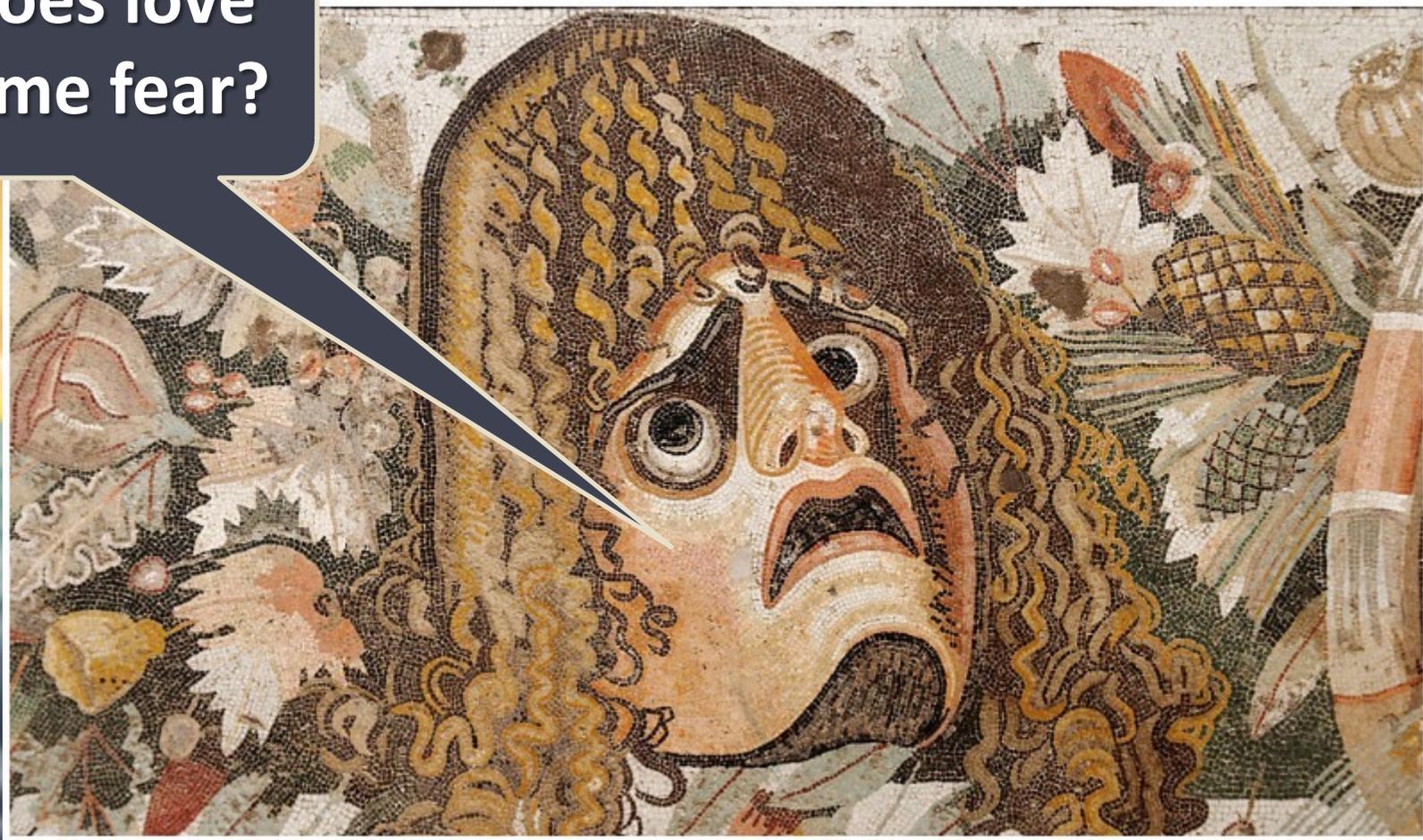
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How does love
overcome fear?



Mosaic of Nero singing courtesy vintage

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Heb

Jam

1 Pe

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courtesy grassco



courtesy vcmga



courtesy Janna Braudrick

meno

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John 15:4 **Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.** ^{ESV}

Greek: μένω meno = rooting in a place; building or maintaining a homestead

- **Take every thought captive. When I am thinking harshly about a person (not their ideas or actions, but the person), I must remember that I was by nature that wicked in God's eyes.**
- **Stop worrying over human affections. I remain in God's love. None other compares or is necessary.**
- **Check generosity. Love often overflows into generosity. Am I a happy giver? If not, I am likely lacking in agape.**

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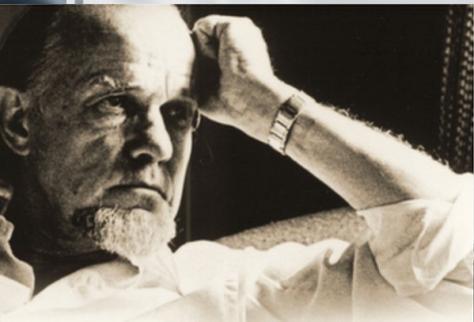
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Modern man...really does not understand it. He has no adequate universal for love. On the other hand, the Christian does have the adequate universal he needs in order to be able to discuss the meaning of love. Among the things we know about the trinity is that the trinity was before the creation of everything else and that love existed between the persons of the trinity before the foundations of the world. This being so, the existence of love as we know it in our make-up does not have an origin in chance, but its origin is from that which has always been.
– Francis Schaeffer, *The God Who is There*



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**Romans 5:8 But God showed his great love for us
by sending Christ to die for us
while we were still sinners. ^{NLT}**

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²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” and yet hates his brother or sister, he is a liar. For the person who does not love his brother or sister whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹ And we have this command from him: The one who loves God must also love his brother and sister. ^{CSB}



FEAR

HATE

1960s riot



2020s riot



1960s Christian response



**“Follow me to the
source of love.”**

1960s Christian response



2020s Christian response



Compared to
everyone else, I
am very loving!



courtesy Dreamstime

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I've been confronted with the reality that it isn't fine for me to avoid people even though I'm an introvert. The "I" in my "INFJ" result from Meyers-Briggs is no excuse to sit comfortably in my sin of not loving others. I have to push myself out of my comfort-zone to show love to my brothers and sisters in Christ. It might seem minor but is one of the ways I have to "die to self" in order to love others well. (Side note: Don't get me wrong, I still prefer recharge days with very little-to-no human interaction, and my very-extroverted husband is kind enough to allow me that recharge time.) – L

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