

L133 | I Corinthians | Charity Seeketh Not Her Own | I Cor. 13:4-7

I. Intro/Review:

- Charity shines its light in regard to how we view and use our estate and the estates of others
1. **"charity suffereth long, and is kind"**
 - Charity suffers long against injury to our estate - person or belongings
 - Charity doesn't retribute for the injury done to our estate - but owes to love
 2. **"charity envieth not"**
 - Charity is not dissatisfied with another's prosperous estate
 3. **"charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,"**
 - Charity doesn't engage in vain glory - it doesn't overvalue

II. Preview:

1. (3) - "doth not behave itself unseemly,"
2. (4) - "seeketh not her own,"

III. Sermon:

**Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;
(1 Corinthians 13:4-5)**

1. (3) - **"doth not behave itself unseemly,"**
 - **"behave"**
 - "labor of love" - 1 The. 1
 - "worketh no ill" - Rom. 13
 - "behave" - 1 Tim. 3
 - **"unseemly"** - Not fit or becoming; uncomely; unbecoming; indecent
 - 1 Cor. 7:36 - "uncomely"
 - Not comely; wanting grace; as an uncomely person; uncomely dress; uncomely manners
 - Titus 2:1-3 - "speak thou the things that **become** sound doctrine:"
 - "becometh holiness"
 - Romans 1:28 - "do those things that are not **convenient**"

- Fit; suitable; proper; adapted to use or to wants
- Philemon 1:8-9 - "Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is convenient, yet for love's sake I rather beseech thee, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ."
- Our bodies were made and operated upon that we may have faith which worketh by love
 - God
 - Man
 - Romans 6
 - Galatians 5:6 - "...faith which worketh by love"
 - Body not to use for "vile affections", but to be kindly affectioned one to another"
 - Rom. 1
 - Rom. 12
 - 1 The. 4:9

2. (4) - "seeketh not her own"

- The projecting of future prosperity, the maintaining of a current estate
- Num. 15:39
- Jn. 5:30
- Jn. 8:50
- 2 Cor. 12:14
- Gal. 1:10
- Php. 2:21

3. (5) - "is not easily provoked"

- Act 17:16 Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.
- Eph. 4 - "be angry and sin not"
- Jas. 1:20 - wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God
- Ps. 37:8

**Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;
(1 Corinthians 13:6)**

**Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.
(1 Corinthians 13:7)**

IV. Conclusion: