

Sermon Outline - Sun, November 8th, 2020 – The Power of Love – What does it look like?
(Leviticus 19:17-18; 1 Corinthians 13:1-7; 1 Peter 4:7-8)

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. **2** And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. **3** If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast,^[a] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant **5** or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; **6** it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. **7** It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Overview – Transcendence often Requires Turbulence: Holy don't Play That. 1. **If you want to go higher expect the Turbulence: Buckle Up Your Seatbelt** (with grounding spiritual practices); **Trust the Holy Spirit to land the plane.** Hope that you used your seatbelt practices to get through the uncertainty of last week. Now that the outcome that most of us wanted has come to pass, what is the lesson going forward? We are pivoting so the theme for November is the Power of Love.

Exegesis

- Corinth – heart of the empire. Major temple dedicated to Aphrodite
- What

Key Points –

1. Patience – Let's folks move in their own time (doesn't have a deadline for their transformation)
2. Kindness -
3. Not arrogant or rude
4. Doesn't insist on its own way

Core Questions –

1. Where are you in relationship with the practice of patience? Where do you excel? Where could you grow?
2. In what areas of your life to show deep kindness? Where do you struggle to be kind or find yourself triggered towards anger or rudeness?
3. Who is the person that God has placed in your life to deepen your love practice? What progress have you made in leaning into that relationship?