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1 CORINTHIANS 13:5c

BRINGING IT INTO FOCUS:

- LOVE is PRACTICAL ACTION towards our NEIGHBOR.
- LOVE is MADE REAL in RELATIONSHIPS.
- LOVE is only POSSIBLE by the HOLY SPIRIT.

LOVE IS NOT IRRITABLE:

- Our NATURAL reaction is to get ANGRY because we are TAUGHT to make it PERSONAL.
- Our SUPERNATURAL response is to STAND for what is RIGHT and live like JESUS.

RESPONDING BY THE SPIRIT:

1. Be ANGRY about the ISSUE not the PERSON.
2. Don't fight for your RIGHTS but instead what is RIGHT.
3. LOOK to Jesus as our EXAMPLE and SUFFICIENCY.

ANSWERING THE TOUGH QUESTION:

Q: How do I know if my ANGER is RIGHTEOUS?

A: RIGHTEOUS ANGER comes from ISSUES (not PEOPLE) that STEAL GLORY from God?

LOVE IS NOT RESENTFUL:

- Our NATURAL reaction is to HOLD a GRUDGE and build BROKENNESS.
- Our SUPERNATURAL response is to FORGIVE and seek RECONCILIATION.

RESPONDING BY THE SPIRIT:

1. FORGIVENESS means we will NOT BRING UP the SIN again.
2. FORGIVENESS means we will NOT TELL OTHERS about the SIN.
3. FORGIVENESS means we will NOT DWELL on the SIN.
4. FORGIVENESS is MODELED in PERFECTION by JESUS.

ANSWERING THE TOUGH QUESTION:

Q: Do I FORGIVE those who have NOT sought FORGIVENESS?

A: We should CULTIVATE an ATTITUDE of FORGIVENESS for when they TAKE the ACTION of REPENTANCE?

LOVING WITH YOUR LIFE: 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8

(YOUR NAME) is patient and kind *towards* (INSERT NAME); (YOUR NAME) does not envy or boast *towards* (INSERT NAME); (YOUR NAME) is not arrogant or rude *towards* (INSERT NAME). (YOUR NAME) does not insist on (YOUR NAME) own way *towards* (INSERT NAME); (YOUR NAME) is not irritable or resentful *towards* (INSERT NAME); (YOUR NAME) does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. (YOUR NAME) bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. (YOUR NAME) never ends.