

# GUIDED BIBLE STUDY

# Love is a Verb

Speakers: Pastor Alan and Lisa

Highlighted Scriptures

John 15:12-13

"This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." (KJV)

1 Corinthians 13:4-9

"Love is patient. Love is kind. It does not envy.

It does not boast. It is not proud. It does not dishonor others.

It is not self-seeking. It is not easily angered. It keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.
It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
Love never fails."

# **Summary**

In this heartfelt conversation, Pastor Allen and Lisa explore the idea that love is not simply a word or feeling—it's an action. True, biblical love is lived out through tangible choices. Jesus models this perfectly in John 15:13, showing that real love involves sacrifice. Drawing also from the well-known love passage in 1 Corinthians 13, they encourage us to embody

love that is patient, kind, humble, and enduring—not just for God, but for others around us.

### Piscussion Questions

- How is love as a verb different than love as a noun?
- · Have you ever been guilty of saying you love God but nothing in your life showed that love towards Him?
- When have you felt like the words "I love you" were just an empty statement?
- · Have you ever said you love someone but in hindsight realized your actions didn't really demonstrate it?
- How does Jesus demonstrate His love to you?
- How can you do better in tangibly demonstrating love to others in your life?
- Share the famous love passage with someone in your life—someone you can trust to be honest with you—and ask them to share which of the attributes of love they see you could still grow in. Ask God to grow those in your life.

#### 🙏 Reflection Challenge

Pick one phrase from 1 Corinthians 13 (e.g., "keeps no record of wrongs" or "is not easily angered") and apply it intentionally this week. Notice how it shifts your thoughts, words, and interactions.

# 🛐 Prayer Prompt

"Lord, help me to love like You—actively, patiently, and selflessly. Show me the areas where my love falls short, and give me strength to grow in those places. Thank You for loving me first, so I can learn to love others well. Amen."