

1 CORINTHIANS

LEARNING TO LIVE BY THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

“Higher Love”

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

3 Descriptions of the nature of God's love

1. The Character of God's Love: Love is patient and kind. (4a)



“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.” 2 Peter 3:9

“I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,” Ephesians 4:1-2



**“And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
even as God in Christ forgave you.” Ephesians 4:32**



3 Descriptions of the nature of God's love

1. The Character of God's Love: Love is patient and kind. (4a)
2. The Contrasts with God's Love: God's glorious love is unlike our fleshly ways. (4b-6)
3. The Circumstances of God's Love: The Love of God is strong, believing, hopeful, and enduring. (7)

“Love, as far as she can, believes in her fellows.” -Charles Spurgeon

