

1 Peter 4:10-11

¹⁰As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. ¹¹Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ,

2 1 Peter 4:10-11

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to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

3 1 Peter 4:10-11

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1 Corinthians 13:1-7

1 John 2:10

¹⁰The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

5 1 John 2:10

1 John 2:14

¹⁴I have written to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

6 1 John 2:14

1 Corinthians 13:1-7

3 Aspects of Love are Addressed:

Aspect 1: The Priority of Love (1-3) Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

Aspect 3: The Permanence of Love (8-13)

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1 Corinthians 13:1-7

¹If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor, and if I surrender

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my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing. ⁴Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, ⁵does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, ⁵does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;

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⁷bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Theme: The effectiveness of our spiritual gift's hinges on our practice of love.

Aspect 1: The Priority of Love (1-3)

5 "If" Statements:

- 1. If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels
- 2. If I have the gift of prophecy and know all mysteries and all knowledge
- 3. If I have faith so as to remove mountains
- 4. If I give all my possessions to feed the poor
- 5. If I surrender my body to be burned

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The Results: (Then Statements)

- 1. I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
- 2. I am nothing.
- 3. It profits me nothing.

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Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

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1 Corinthians 13:4-7

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Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

<u>Fifteen Descriptions of Love</u> Description 1: Patient

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Love is Patient

BDAG: to bear up under provocation without complaint, *be patient, forbearing*

1 Thessalonians 5:14

¹⁴We urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone.

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<u>Fifteen Descriptions of Love</u>
Description 1: Patient
Description 2: Kind

Kind

BDAG: be kind, loving, merciful

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Ephesians 4:29

²⁹Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

20 Ephesians 4:29

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Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

Fifteen Descriptions of Love

Description 1: Patient Description 2: Kind

Description 3: Not Jealous

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Not Jealous

BDAG: to have intense negative feelings over <u>another's achievements</u> or success.

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Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

Fifteen Descriptions of Love

Description 1: Patient

Description 2: Kind Description 3: Not Jealous

Description 4: Does Not Boast

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Does Not Boast

BDAG: to heap praise on oneself

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Aspect 2: The Portrait of Love (4-7)

Fifteen Descriptions of Love

Description 1: Patient Description 2: Kind

Description 3: Not Jealous Description 4: Does Not Boast

Description 5: Is Not Conceited

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Is Not Conceited

BDAG: to cause to have an exaggerated self-conception, *puff up, make proud*

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Proverbs 17:10

¹⁰A rebuke goes deeper into one who has understanding
Than a hundred blows into a fool.

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Description 6: Does Not Act Unbecomingly

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Does Not Act Unbecomingly

BDAG: to act contrary to the standard = behave disgracefully, dishonorably, indecently

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Description 7: Does Not Seek Its Own

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Philippians 2:3-4

³Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; ⁴do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

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1 Corinthians 13:1-7

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The verb means "to spur," "to stir to anger," passive "to be provoked, incensed.

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Proverbs 17:27

²⁷He who restrains his words has knowledge, And he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding.

36 Proverbs 17:27

Proverbs 15:28

²⁸The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer,

But the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things.

37 Proverbs 15:28

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Description 9: Doesn't Keep a Record of Wrongs

Doesn't Keep a Record of Wrongs

BDAG: to determine by mathematical process, *reckon, calculate*

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Description 10&11: Does Not Rejoice in Unrighteousness but

Rejoices in the Truth

Description 12: Bears All Things

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Bears All Things

BDAG: to keep confidential, cover, pass over in silence

BDAG: of love that throws a cloak of silence over what is displeasing in another person

1 Corinthians 1<u>3:</u>1-7

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Believes (All Things)

to consider someth. to be true and therefore worthy of one's trust, believe

Calvin

"not that the Christian knowingly and willingly allows himself to be imposed upon—not that he divests himself of prudence and judgment, that he may be the more easily taken advantage of—not that he unlearns the way of distinguishing black from white."

"He requires here...simplicity and kindness in judging of things; and he declares that these are the invariable accompaniments of love. The consequence will be, that a Christian man will reckon it better to be imposed upon by his own kindness and easy temper, than to wrong his brother by an unfriendly suspicion."

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Hopes (all things)

BDAG: to look forward to someth., with implication of confidence about someth. coming to pass, hope, hope for

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Endures (all things)

BDAG: to maintain a belief or course of action in the face of opposition, *stand one's ground, hold out, endure*

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1 Peter 2:21-25

²¹For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, ²²WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH; ²³and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to

51 1 Peter 2:21-25

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Him who judges righteously; ²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. ²⁵ For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

52 1 Peter 2:21-25



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Conclusion:

- 1. In Your Home
- 2. In Christ's Church