
THE MISSING INGREDIENT

John 13:34–35 (NLT)

“34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. 35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”

John 17:20–21 (NLT)

“20 “I am praying not only for these disciples but also for **all who will ever believe in me** through their message. 21 I pray that they **will all be one, just as you and I are one**—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that **the world will believe you sent me.**”

1 Corinthians 13:1–3 (NLT)

“If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, ***but didn’t love others***, I would only be a **noisy gong** or a **clanging cymbal**. 2 If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God’s secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, ***but didn’t love others***, I would be nothing. 3 If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; ***but if I didn’t love others***, I would have gained nothing.”

1 Corinthians 13:4–7 (NLT)

4 Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud 5 or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. 6 It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. 7 Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

1 Corinthians 13:13 (NLT)

13 Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.