

**BUILDING BETTER RELATIONSHIPS**

**LIFE'S GREATEST AIM**

**1 Corinthians 13 - 14:1**

*"Make Love Your Greatest Aim" 1 Cor. 14:1 (LB)*

1 Corinthians 13

• **THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF LOVE**

**1. All \_\_\_\_\_ is ineffective.**

*"If I speak in the tongues of men and/or angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal." (v. 1)*

*"Speak the truth in love . . ." Eph. 4:15*

**2. All \_\_\_\_\_ is incomplete.**

*"If I have the gift of prophecy, and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge... but have not love I am nothing." (vs. 2a)*

*"Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up." 1 Cor. 8:1*

**3. All \_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient.**

*"... and if I have faith that can move mountains, but have not love I am nothing." (vs.2b)*

*"... The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." Gal. 5:6*

**4. All \_\_\_\_\_ in insignificant.**

*"If I give all I possess to the poor... but have not love, I gain nothing." (vs. 3a)*

**5. All \_\_\_\_\_ is inadequate.**

*"If I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel, but didn't love others, it would be of no value whatever." (vs. 3b LB)*

• **THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF LOVE**

*"Most of all, let love guide your life..." Col. 3:14 (LB)*

Description of a Loving Lifestyle (vs. 4-7)

Insights

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• **THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF LOVE**

*"Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust, no fading of its hope; it can outlast anything. Love never fails." (vs.7-8a Ph)*

*"In this life we have three lasting qualities -- faith, hope and love. But the greatest of them is love." (vs.13 Ph)*

Jesus said, "A new commandment I give you: Love one another! As I have loved you, so you must love one another. All men will know you are my disciples if you love one another." John 13:34-35