

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

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→ **Spiritual Gifts, Lesson 3** - 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Name some songs that have “love” in the title?

Why is love such a popular subject?

Describe a person who you feel has given you ‘unconditional love’?

God has made us to love and be loved. Why is loving others such a hard thing to do?

Is it possible for love to be unhealthy? Give some examples.

Read the 1 Corinthians 13:1-8a.

What are the spiritual gifts mentioned in verses 1-3?

What is the point of the noisy gong or clanging cymbal?

What are the great spiritual works that Paul points out?

What is the big idea that Paul is trying to communicate in these verses?

Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The western church elevates the gifted and overlooks the character of the most gifted.

Why do we have a tendency to mistake what we do with who we are?

Read verses 4-7

How many times is love mentioned in these verses?

Take 6 or 7 of them and put them in your own words.

Here are the ones Jackson mentioned

Vs. 4a Love is patient - Giving up my rights to seek revenge

Vs. 5c it is not irritable (not easily angered) - Love has a long fuse

Vs 5d LOVE is not . . . resentful - it keeps no record of wrongs - Love does not keep score

With each one you picked what is a barrier to living this love out?

How do you see this love lived out in Jesus?

Close by filling out the sheet below (if possible print enough of this sheet for each person in your small group).



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1 Corinthians 13



Fill your name in each blank. Then read it to yourself...

4 _____ is patient and kind; _____ does not envy or boast; _____ is not arrogant or rude. _____ does not insist on its own way; _____ is not irritable or resentful; 6 _____ does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but _____ rejoices with the truth.

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

Fill your name in the first blank and someone else's name that fits the statement in the second space.

4 _____ is patient and kind toward _____

_____ is not envious of _____

_____ does not boast about _____

_____ is not arrogant about _____

5 _____ is not rude toward _____.

_____ does not insist on its own way with _____,

_____ is not irritable or resentful toward _____

6 _____ does not rejoice at wrongdoing done by _____ but

_____ rejoices with the truth with _____.

7 _____ bears all things concerning _____,

_____ believes all things about _____,

_____ hopes all things, and endures all things from _____.