

“MORE THAN A FEELING”

I CORINTHIANS 13:4-7 (Part 1)

What’s love got to do with it? Absolutely everything. God Himself wouldn’t necessarily disagree. The pages of the Bible overflow with amazing examples of love pouring out from the lives of others and certainly none compare to the love of Christ at the cross of Calvary where the Savior reached out His hands and died for a world of sinners.

Note these vital points in the chapter:

1. Love _____.
2. Love _____.
3. Love _____.
4. Love _____.

THE PROFILE OF LOVE

① It is _____ - _____ (13:4)

The power of one little ingredient like *macro*, when attached to wrath, moves it from a work of the flesh in Gal. 5:20 to a fruit of the Spirit in Gal. 5:22. That’s what love does!

② It is _____ (13:4)

Why? Because it links itself in scripture to an important matter – that of _____ (Mt. 11:28; Romans 2:4; 3:12).

Everything one brings forth as an unbeliever will be for his _____ and not God’s _____ and thus it is no _____.

③ It is _____ (13:4)

It is satisfaction that others have what you may not have because a sovereign God is in absolute control and gives to man as He pleases. This very act of gratefulness centers on the very issue of _____.

CONCLUSION

Not surprisingly, in each of these first three entries of love, our God is not far away. In fact, He is up close and in person as He Himself is love. In particular, He is longsuffering, (2 Peter 3:9), He is gracious (1 Peter 2:2-3), and He is jealous (Deuteronomy 5:9-10).