



1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up
Bearing, Believing, Hoping, Enduring
1 Corinthians 13:7
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Introduction:

Key Question: How do we live as disciples of Jesus and function together as his Church in an overwhelmingly unbelieving world?

Bearing Patiently (7)

Believing Admiringly (7)

Hoping Persistently (7)

Enduring to the End (7)

How might our lives look in light of these realities?

**Supporting
Scripture**

1 Cor. 1-13
1 Cor. 13:13

Gen. 9:23
Prov. 10:12
1 Pet. 4:8
1 Cor. 9:11-12

Rev. 7:9-12

Next Week: 1 Cor. 13:8-13 Love Never Ends

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<p style="text-align: center;">Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide your time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> -read the text together. (1 Cor. 13:4-7)</p> <p><u>Discussion Guiding Questions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In what ways have you experienced or seen demonstrated the quality of love that protects or covers another's offenses? 2. Why is it important for brothers and sisters in Christ to believe the best in one another? How is this attitude counter to what is popular in our culture? 3. How might a "learning conversation" with another brother or sister in Christ with whom we disagree or have a differing perspective, look, and sound different than an argument or debate with them? 4. Read Revelation 7:9-12. Make observations regarding the crowd that God has drawn to himself. What does this crowd of people look like? Where is their attention fixed? What is the content of the message they are united in? How is this both helpful and hopeful to the diverse family of God temporarily dwelling together here on earth? 5. Talk about the enduring quality of love. Give testimony to how you have witnessed love's endurance in your own life or the life of someone you know. What insight or advice was or has been given to you that you might share to help motivate someone else to hold onto love, even in difficult and uneasy seasons? <p><u>Questions towards Spiritual Growth & Discipleship:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text challenge you to grow in a greater love for God? 2. How are you motivated to grow in a greater love for others? 3. How might Jesus be motivating you apply some of the principles from this passage to your family, career, community, or church? 4. How might Jesus be using you to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. How will you pray for each other between now and next time you meet? 	<p><u>Supporting Scripture</u></p> <p>1 Cor. 1-13 1 Cor. 13:13 Gen. 9:23 Prov. 10:12 1 Pet. 4:8 1 Cor. 9:11-12 Rev. 7:9-12</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>