

1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up

Patient & Kind

1 Corinthians 13:4-5a Pastor Chris Lenhart – January 17, 2021

Introduction: Key Question: How do we live as disciples of Jesus and function together as his Church in an overwhelmingly unbelieving world?	Supporting Scripture 1 Cor. 1-13 1 Cor. 13:13
Love is(4)	
How is the word "love" used in the New Testament?	
Patient & Kind (4)	
How has God demonstrated patience and kindness?	Ex. 34:6-7 Rom. 5:8
In what ways do we see patience and kindness demonstrated in the life and ministry of Jesus?	2 Pet. 3:9 Rom. 2:4 1 Tim. 1:16
Love is not, envious, boastful, arrogant, or rude (4-5a)	Gal. 6:14
How do these negative attributes and attitudes, that are opposed to love, manifest themselves in our lives?	1 Cor. 1:31 Jer. 9:24 Lk. 18:18-19 1 Cor. 7:36
How might our lives look in light of these realities?	
Next Week: 1 Cor. 13:5b-6 Rejoices in Truth	

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	Growing together in a Greater Love Discipleship Guide	
Ge	t together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!	<u>Supporting</u> <u>Scripture</u> 1 Cor. 1-13
	rith <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide your time together. Go over prayer its together.	1 Cor. 13:13 1 Cor. 13:13 Ex. 34:6-7
Read t	he Text -read the text together. (1 Cor. 13:4-7)	Rom. 5:8 2 Pet. 3:9
Discus	sion Guiding Questions:	Rom. 2:4 1 Tim. 1:16
1.	Paul begins verse 4 with two positive attributes of love, patience, and kindness. Discuss how these attributes are different, and then also, how each of them may be applied in our daily lives.	Gal. 6:14 1 Cor. 1:31 Jer. 9:24 Lk. 18:18-19 1 Cor. 7:36
2.	Where in the Old Testament do you see examples of God demonstrating patience and kindness? In what ways did God demonstrate patience towards unbelievers like Pharaoh, yet also, towards his chosen people, the Israelites?	
3.	How was Jesus patient and kind towards those God drew into his pathways during his earthly life and ministry? What are some of examples of Jesus demonstrating patience towards his disciples?	<u>Prayer</u>
4.	Why do you think it is important for Paul to develop and describe, in this passage, both the positive attributes of love, like patience and kindness, and the negatives like envy, boasting, arrogance and rudeness?	Requests Family
5.	How are the negative attributes of envy, boasting, arrogance and rudeness manifested in our world today? Are these attributes sometimes even celebrated in our culture? If so, where do you see them celebrated, and why are they celebrated?	Church
Questi	ons towards Spiritual Growth & Discipleship:	
1.	How does this text challenge you to grow in a greater love for God?	Community
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?	Career/Friends
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?	Other