

Essential Love

INTRODUCTION

- _____ is an essential aspect of being a dis_____ of Jesus.

ESSENTIAL LOVE

- Being a Christian without love is van_____, a striving after the wind.

ACTS OF LOVE

- In 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, there are 15 attributes regarding love. All of the words describe the ac_____ of love.
- A better sense of the word, patient, is lo___-suf_____. It is about a love that endures suffering over a long time.
- The greatest type of love is ag_____. It is the self-sacr_____ love that comes from God himself.
- Ki_____ is more than being nice. A better sense of the word comes when we examine the Old Testament word, Hased. Hased can mean loving-kindness, mer____, compas_____, grace and love. (see Exodus 34:6-7)
- Love does not rejoice when s___ is glorified and uplifted, when ev___ is called good and good is called evil.
- Love rejoices when God's word is he_____ and received. Love rejoices when people come to the saving t_____ of Jesus. Love rejoices when G___ is glorified.
- "Love bears all things." What does that mean? _____
- H_____ is more than a wish. It is the conf_____ that he who has begun a good work will carry it through to the end. (Ephesians 1:18, Hebrews 6:19; 10:23)

PERMANENT LOVE

- Love is per_____ because love is an essential aspect of _____.
- F_____ and H_____ will come to an end. When you are in the presence of Him who is perfect, there will no longer be a need for faith or for hope.

MATURE LOVE

- What does it mean to mature in our understanding and love of Jesus?
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HEAR & APPLY THE WORD

- How have you grown in your love for Jesus and for others?
- How do you need to grow in your love for Jesus and others?
- In what ways do you practice agape love?

