

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

What is Love Like? Part 2

Love is the chief expression of a disciple's life. If Jesus' followers should be known for one thing, this is it. This passage describes what the disciple's life will look like in greater proportion as he/she matures.

- I. **Love is not rude.**
- II. **Love does not insist on its own way.**

*"All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor. (1 Corinthians 10:23-24 ESV)*

*We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me." ...May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

(Romans 15:1-6 ESV)

- III. **Love is not irritable.**
- IV. **Love is not resentful.**

*"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,  
and whose sins are covered;  
blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."*  
(Romans 4:7-8 ESV)

- V. **It does not rejoice with wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.**
- VI. **Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.**

- **Love doesn't give in to temptation.**
- **Love doesn't give up.**
- **Love always believes.**
- **Love always hopes.**

**A life that loves, like that described in this passage, is a life that proves faith in the Gospel-  
faith in Jesus Christ is real.**