

## Seeking Revival: Loving People as Jesus Loves 1 Corinthians 13

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Christ's Love Described and Defined

- A. The Necessity of Love: 1 Cor. 13:1-3
1. Gifts without love are self-serving and Christ distracting: 1 Cor. 13:1
  2. Works and ministry without love are worthless and fruitless: 1 Cor. 13:3

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- B. The Qualities in Love: 1 Cor. 13:4-7

1. Love is patient

Our identity as Christians: John 13:34-35

Our health as Christians: 1 John 3:16-18

- a. Patience exercised in our relationship with God
  - Submission to God's mysterious providence  
Genesis 12:1-5, Habakkuk 3:17-19
  - Submission to God's painful processes  
2 Cor. 12:8-10, Phil. 4:11-13, Isa. 48:10,  
Ps. 119:67, 71
- b. Patience in relationship to others
  - Contributing to the unity among believers  
Eph. 4:1-3, John 17:20-23, Ps. 133
  - Quickness to reconcile, forgive, and move on  
Col. 3:12-14
  - Earnest in lovingly serving God's people  
Heb. 6:9-12