

"The Pursuit of Love: Priority" 1 Cor. 13:1-3 • part 42

INTRODUCTION

- what the world needs now...
- the expectation of Christ that we love as He loved us

1 Cor. 14:1; Col. 3:14; 1 Thess. 3:12; 1 Pet. 4:8; Heb. 10:24

1. Without love, I contribute nothing (13:1-2)

- the Corinthians' love for spiritual bling
- hypothetically: the best communicator

...but without love...

• hypothetically: best mind and mouth

• hypothetically: most spiritual

Mt. 17:20

...but without love...

2. Without love, I gain nothing (13:3)

- others benefiting from my giving
- "burning" or "boasting"?

Conclusion

1 Pet.1:22

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