



Logos Class – 1 Corinthians Ch 13

On Campus class for Feb 7, 2021

Calendar moving forward

- ✓ Jan 31, 2021 1 Corinthians Ch 12
- ✓ Feb 7, 2021 1 Corinthians Ch 13
- Feb 14, 2021 1 Corinthians Ch 14
- Feb 21, 2021 1 Corinthians Ch 15
- Feb 28, 2021 1 Corinthians Ch 16 End of 1 Corinthians
- March 7 -2021 Planned start of Holy Spirit Study*

We will be doing Zoom classes up until March 7, when we start the Holy Spirit Study. At that time, I will record audio only, and have slides since I can't rebroadcast the DVD support material and we need to be in class for discussions. If you can, come by that time to the class.

Before we start...

- Culture of Corinth
 - Sexual immorality, Incest, Adultery, Fornication
 - Suing one another, pitting each other up for failure, a culture of public debasement
 - Selfish "Rights" attitudes
 - Abusing of the Lord's Supper
 - Propriety in Church, whole discussion about modesty
 - Euphoria and Ecstasy in worship (Ch 12)
- In Ch 13, Paul adds another whole new dimension to it
 - Love

1 Cor 13:31b – Final thought from Last week

Paul finishes chapter 12, and sets the stage for what is called the "Love Chapter"

^{31b}And yet I will show you the most excellent way.

Love – English (1) versus Greek (7+)

- Philia affectionate love, brotherly love (without physical attraction Platonic)
- 2. Storge Love for family, or tribe, or country
- 3. Eros Romantic/Passionate Love This is the sensual part of love. It is passionate and urgent.
- 4. Mania Obsessive Love- this is more like infatuation
- 5. Pragma Enduring Love built on commitment and long-term best interest.
- 6. Ludus Playful Love, young love, crush and acting upon it
- 7. Agape Selfless, unconditional love, like God's love for us

1 Cor Ch 13:1-3. The requirement of Agape Love

13 If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship (or to be burned) that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

1 Cor Ch 13:4-7. The Characteristics of Agape Love

- ⁴ Love is **patient**, love is **kind**. It **does not envy**, it **does not boast**, it **is not proud**.
- ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.
- ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.
- ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

1 Cor Ch 13:8-12 ... Christian Progress & Realities

- ⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.
- ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part,
- ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.
- ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.
- ¹² For now we see only a **reflection as in a mirror**; then we shall see **face to face.** Now I know in part; **then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.**

1 Cor Ch 13:13 ... Focus on Agape Love

13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Remember:

- Faith without Agape Love is Cold
- Hope without Agape Love is Grim
- **Agape Love** is the fire that gives the spark to Faith, and the Light that turns Hope into certainty (William Barclay)

Next week, Feb 14, 2021...Valentines Day

We will return to **1 Corinthians** and pick up where we left off at Chapter 14.

Pray for those we have listed

- If you have any Questions on what we have covered, please send me a note and I will try and answer them
- As always, call Vicki or me if we can help you in any way

God Bless each of you