

# LIFE'S HIGHEST GOAL

## *Relationships R Us – Part 1*

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*Let love be your highest goal. 1 Corinthians 14:1 (NLT)*

### THE PRIORITY OF LOVE

#### **1 Corinthians 13**

1. All \_\_\_\_\_ is ineffective.  
*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. vs. 1*

2. All \_\_\_\_\_ is incomplete.  
*If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge... but do not have love I am nothing. vs. 2*

*Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. 1 Corinthians 8:1*

3. All \_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient.  
*... if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love I am nothing. vs. 2*

*But God demonstrated His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8*

*... The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love. Galatians 5:6*

4. All \_\_\_\_\_ is insignificant.  
*If I give all I possess to the poor... but do not have love, I gain nothing. vs. 3*

5. All \_\_\_\_\_ is inadequate.  
*If I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel, but didn't love others, it would be of no value whatever. vs. 3 LB*

## THE PRACTICE OF LOVE

*...clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. Colossians 3:14 NLT*

*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy. It does not boast. It is not proud. Love is not rude. It is not self-seeking. Love is not easily angered. It keeps no record of wrongs. Love rejoices in the truth. Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. vs. 4-7*

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### THE PERMANENCE OF LOVE

*Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. vs. 7-8 NLT*

*Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love. vs. 13 NLT*

*(Jesus) "A new command I give you: Love one another! As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."*

John 13:34-36