



**7/19/2026 | Love is the
Point Reflect + Discuss**

- If you had 60 seconds to explain love to an alien before it returns to its planet, what would you say?
- How does knowing that 1 Corinthians 13 was written to address a church in crisis rather than a wedding couple change the way you understand the passage?
- Why do you think the Corinthians valued flashy spiritual gifts (like tongues or prophecy) more than the quiet virtue of love? What makes those other gifts so appealing?
- Is there anything in your own life that you are seeking more than growing in love? How does knowing that love alone endures into eternity, while all other gifts and pursuits fade away, challenge the way you spend your time, energy, and attention?
- Read 1 Cor 13:4-7 aloud, replacing the words “love” with your own name.
Which quality feels closest to who you are today? Which one feels the most challenging or distant?
What does cooperating with the Holy Spirit actually look like when trying to grow in that difficult area?
- Pastor Chris points out that love is not measured by how much Bible or theology we know, what spiritual gifts we possess, or whether we agree with others. Before today, how did you practically “measure” whether someone was loving? How should we measure love according to the Bible?(See, for example, John 15:13; John 14:15; 1 John 5:3; Matt 22:39.)
- How have you experienced love as “the most excellent way” in your own life? Can you recall a moment when you felt deeply loved? How has that experience shaped the way you love others, and how would you like to pass that love on? What does it look like to keep in step with the Spirit as He forms us into people of love?
- How does knowing that Jesus is the embodiment of love and perfectly displays the qualities described in 1 Corinthians 13:4–8 deepen your awe, gratitude, and desire to become more like Him?

Pray

Pray that we would recognize the priority of growing in love in our walk with God. Pray that we would walk in step with the Spirit and devote ourselves to becoming people who increasingly embody the love described in 1 Cor 3:4-7. As we continue to reflect on this message, pray that we would deepen our “understanding and experience of Jesus Christ as love dwelling within us and respond with greater gratitude, worship, and awe.

Next Steps

Check out the resources page for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out courses.