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#3 LIVING IN LOVE - PT 3 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

God	_ love
Matthew 5:44-48Philippians 2:1-5	• Romans 12:10
From God's perspective, l	ove is:
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1 Corinthians 13:1-8 (TPT) If I were to speak with eloquence in earth's many languages, and in the heavenly tongues of angels, yet I didn't express myself with love, my words would be reduced to the hollow sound of nothing more than a clanging cymbal. And if I were to have the gift of prophecy with a profound understanding of God's hidden secrets, and if I possessed unending supernatural knowledge, and if I had the greatest gift of faith that could move mountains, but have never learned to love, then I am nothing. And if I were to be so generous as to give away everything I owned to feed the poor, and to offer my body to be burned as a martyr,

without the pure motive of love, I would gain nothing of value. Love is large and incredibly patient. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to be jealous when blessing comes to someone else. Love does not brag about one's achievements nor inflate its own importance. Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honor. Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offense. Love joyfully celebrates honesty and finds no delight in what is wrong. Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others. Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up. Love never stops loving. It extends beyond the gift of prophecy, which eventually fades away. It is more enduring than tongues, which will one day fall silent. Love remains long after words of knowledge are forgotten.

	• John 13:1-5	• John 13:12-17
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	• 1 John 3:18	— ● Mark 12:28-31

How can we prioritize love and make it practical?

- Give time to God.
- Give time to people.
- Forgive quickly.
- Apologize promptly.
- Learn to speak the love language of others.
- Do all of the above so consistently that they become habits.

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