

Introduction – Her name was Mary Jane...

Love: The Ground of all the Gifts

1. Gifts are Great, but let's talk about "The Best Way to Live" (1 Corinthians 12:31b)

A Spiritual Gift Versus A Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:19-25)

2. The Futility of Gifts (and Abilities) without Love (1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

- a. Tongues of Angels
- b. Prophecy
- c. Incredible Insight
- d. Mountain Moving Faith
- e. Give all possessions
- f. Die a Faithful, Martyr's Death

3. What love really is (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

- a. patient
- b. kind
- c. not jealous
- d. not boastful
- e. not proud
- f. not rude
- g. not self-seeking
- h. not easily angered
- i. keeps no record of wrongs
- j. does not delight in evil
- k. rejoices with the truth
- l. always protect
- m. always trusts
- n. always hopes
- o. always perseveres
- p. never fails

4. The Permanence of Love (1 Corinthians 13:8-13)

Application – *Why is love the supreme quality in the life of the Christian?*

A look at a man transformed by love

Mark 3:17 -- Luke 9:52-55 -- John 13:23

John 3:16-18

John 13:1

John 13:34-35

John 15:9-17

1 John 4:7-11

1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

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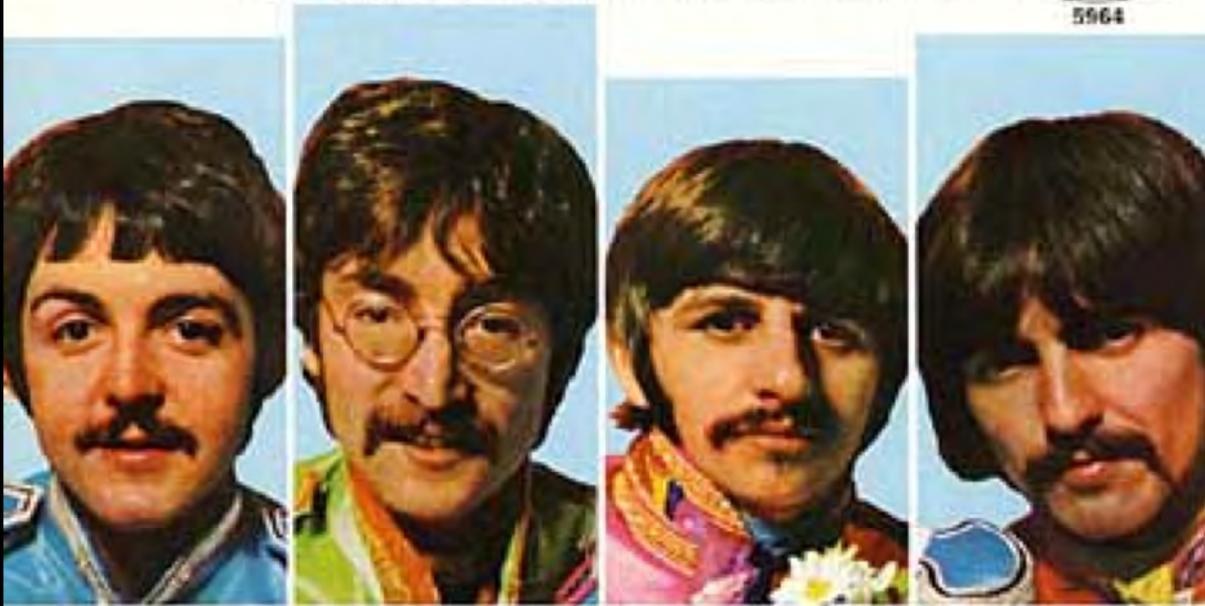
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The BEATLES

All You Need Is Love

Baby, You're a Rich Man



MOM! WAKE UP!
COME QUICK!

WHAT'S WRONG?
WHAT'S THE
MATTER?

DO YOU THINK LOVE IS
NOTHING BUT A BIOCHEMICAL
REACTION DESIGNED TO
MAKE SURE OUR
GENES GET
PASSED ON?

WHATEVER IT IS, IT'S ALL
THAT'S KEEPING ME FROM
STRANGLING YOU RIGHT
NOW.

MOM'S MIDNIGHT
REASSURANCES
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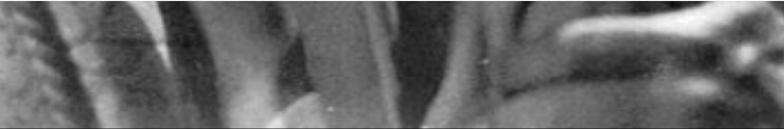
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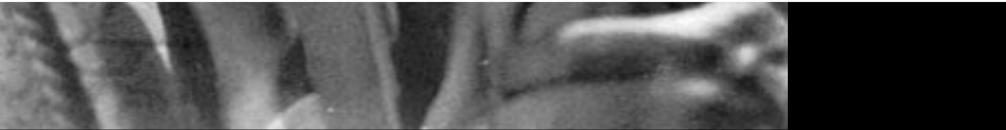
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*...an eight week study of 1 Corinthians 12-14
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1 Corinthians 12:7

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good....

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

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D.A. Carson

SHOWING
THE
SPIRIT

*A Theological Exposition of
1 Corinthians 12-14*

“In the context of the three chapters, the point of Paul’s argument in these verses is clear. He says, in effect:

You who think that because you speak in tongues you are so spiritual, you who prove your large endowment from the Holy Spirit by exercising the gift of prophecy, you must understand that you have overlooked what is most important. By themselves, your spiritual gifts attest nothing spiritual about you. And you who prefer to attest your rich privilege in the Holy Spirit by works of philanthropy, you must learn that philanthropy apart from Christian love says nothing about your experience with God. You remain spiritually bankrupt, a spiritual nothing, if love does not characterize your exercise of whatever grace-gift God has assigned you.

“If Paul were addressing the modern church, perhaps he would extrapolate further:

You Christians who prove your spirituality by the amount of theological information you can cram into your heads, I tell you that such knowledge by itself proves nothing. And you who affirm the Spirit’s presence in your meetings because there is a certain style of worship (whether formal and stately or exuberant and spontaneous), if your worship patterns are not expressions of love, you are spiritually bankrupt. You who insist that speaking in tongues attests a second work of the Spirit, a baptism of the Spirit, I tell you that if love does not characterize your life, there is not evidence of even a first work of the Spirit.”

~ D. A. Carson, *Showing the Spirit*, pages 60-61

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4. Love's Permanence and Preeminence

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REALLY?

A man who was transformed by love

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Mark 3:17

¹⁷ James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means Sons of Thunder).

A man who was transformed by love

Luke 9:52-55

⁵²And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; ⁵³but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” ⁵⁵But Jesus turned and rebuked them, ⁵⁶ and they went to another village.

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John 13:23

²³ Now there was leaning on Jesus’ bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.

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John 3:16-18

¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.

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John 13:1

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John 13:34-35

³⁴ “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

A man who was transformed by love

John 15:9-17

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

A man who was transformed by love

John 15:1-17

¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit — fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other."

A man who was transformed by love

1 John 4:7-11

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.

Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸

Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Application

Has the Gospel of Jesus Christ so radically saturated you that you are filled with love?