Foundations For Christian Living: LOVE - 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Key Truth #1: To Be Loveless Is To Be Pointless
1 Corinthians 13:1-3, Revelation 2:3-4, John 13:34-35

Key Truth #2: Love Is The Opposite Of You
1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Am I Loving? A Tough Assignment
(Ask A Friend, Spouse, Relative or Co-Worker The Following)

Am I Harsh?
Love Is Patient, Love Is Kind…

Do I Always Have To Win?
Love Does Not Envy, Does Not Boast, Is Not Proud…

Am I Self-Centered?
Love Does Not Insist On Its Own Way…

Do I Have A Short Fuse?
Love Is Not Easily Angered, Is Not Irritable…

Am I Cynical?
Love Is Not Resentful & Does Not Rejoice At Wrongdoing…

How To Fix A Lack Of Love

Aim For:
A Smaller View Of Yourself & A Higher View Of God
1 Corinthians 13:9-10

A Smaller View Of Your Plans & A Higher View Of God's Sovereignty
1 Corinthians 13:11-12

A Smaller View Of What's Temporal & A Higher View Of What's Eternal
1 Corinthians 13:8, 13

1. What particularly stood out to you, challenged you or confused you in our study of 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 this week?

2. What further insights do the following passages offer about love?
    1 John 3:14-18
    1 John 4:7-12
    1 John 4:20-21
    Matthew 5:43-47

3. Paul uses 1 Corinthians 13 to complete his teaching on Spiritual Gifts found in 1 Corinthians 12.

    What would you say are your top 3 Spiritual Gifts?

    What are the purposes of your Spiritual Gifts (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

    What is one specific way you can love the body of Christ with your spiritual gifts this week?

4. Think of one person who is hard for you to love. What is one concrete way you can show that person love this week?

5. As we look ahead to the 8th week of this small group (September 20th) what is one way that we, as a group, can show love to Jim & Becki's neighborhood, family or friends through an act of love?

    Looking Ahead
    Next week we will be in 1 Corinthians 14:1-40 looking at another Foundation for Christian Living: Orderly Worship. Look at the passage now and note any questions you have or anything that immediately jumps off the page at you.