

1 Corinthians 13

God Is Love

Sermon Outline by Pastor Dennis Tuuri, June 22, 2008

Intro: Greyfriars Refresher - Twelve Things That Could Blow the Church Up

I. Love and Everything Else – Getting the Corinthians' (And Our) Attention vv. 1-3

II. Love In Action vv. 4-7

A. The Header: God Is Love (1 Jn. 4:16)

Love is Patient

Kind is Love

1. Well-known verses (and songs) from the Old Testament
 - a. Exodus 34:5-7
 - b. Numbers 14:18-35; Jnah 4:1-3
 - c. Psalms 86:15; 103:8; 145:8
2. New Testament Citations
 - a. God – Rom. 2:4
 - b. Us, by Means of the God's Spirit
Gal. 4:22; 2 Cor. 6:6; 1 John 4:16; Romans 5:5
3. Patience
4. Kindness

B. The Contrasts

1. Self-interest vs. Kindness

2. Hostility vs. Patience

3. The Right Joy

C. Four Commendations

bears all things, (Patient)

believes all things, (Kind)

hopes all things, (Kind)

endures all things. (Patient)

III. Maturity, Love and, Surprisingly, Victory vv. 8-13

The Love in the Love Feast

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NASB)

Two Characteristics

Love is patient

love is kind

Seven Contrasts

Contrasted by Self-interest (Kind)

is not jealous;

love does not brag

is not arrogant,

does not act unbecomingly;

it does not seek its own,

Contrasted by Hostility (Patient)

is not provoked,

does not take into account a wrong suffered,

The Right Joy

does not rejoice in unrighteousness,

but rejoices with the truth;

Four Commendations

bears all things, (Patient)

believes all things, (Kind)

hopes all things, (Kind)

endures all things. (Patient)