

EMPLOYERS FOR CHRIST: THE MEANING OF LOVE (2)

Definition of love: A deep, tender feeling of affection towards a person.

KEY POINT: LOVE COMES FROM GOD

1 Johane 4:7 / 1 kaJohane 4:7 / 1 John 4:7 "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God."

KEY POINT: GOD COMMANDS US TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Johane 13:34 / NgokukaJohane 13:34 / John 13:34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

KEY POINT: THE MEANING OF LOVE ACCORDING TO 1 CORINTHIANS 13

1 Bakorinthe 13:1-7 / 1 kwabaseKorinte 13:1-7 / 1 Corinthians 13:1-7 "1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. 4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

- † **Do not be angry:** Be very slow to get angry and do not let little things cause you to get angry.
- † **Do not record wrongs:** Do not go around with a list writing down the faults of one another, rather look for the positive things.
- † **Do not delight in evil:** Do not enjoy it when bad things happen to other people.
- † **Rejoices in the truth:** When you see injustice corrected and people treating others with respect, kindness, and honesty, you should feel happy.
- † **Protects:** You should feel protected and in return protect those around you.
- † **Hopes:** You should be assured that God will give you a future.
- † **Perseveres:** You should hang in there and keep on going.

REMEMBER:

1. Love comes from God
2. God commands us to love one another
3. The meaning of love according to 1 Corinthians 13

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