

“What’s Love Got To Do With It?”
Part Two: “Loving Your Family More”
1 Corinthians 13:4-8a

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a ⁴“Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never fails.” (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a ⁴“Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self. Love doesn’t want what it doesn’t have. Love doesn’t strut, doesn’t have a swelled head, ⁵doesn’t force itself on others, isn’t always ‘me first,’ doesn’t fly off the handle, ⁶doesn’t keep score of the sins of others, doesn’t revel when others grovel, takes pleasure in the flowering of truth, ⁷puts up with anything, trusts God always, always looks for the best, never looks back but keeps going to the end. ⁸Love never dies.” (Message Bible)

1. **Them As They Are**

Love is “a profoundly tender affection for another person; a feeling of warm personal attachment.”

1 Corinthians 13:4b“Love cares more for others than for self...” (Message Bible)

John 15:12 “This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” (NKJV)

1 John 4:19 “We love each other as a result of God loving us first.” (NLT)

2. **Them As They Are**

Accept means “to receive with approval or favor.”

Ephesians 1:4 “Long ago, even before He made the world, God chose us to be His very own through what Christ would do for us; He decided then to make us holy in His eyes, without a single fault - we who stand before Him covered with His love.” (Living Bible)

Romans 5:8 “God showed how much He loved us by having Christ die for us - even though we were sinful.” (CEV)

3. **Them As They Are**

Serve means “to render assistance; to help.”

1 Corinthians 13:7c-8 ⁷“Love always looks for the best, never looks back but keeps going to the end. ⁸Love never dies.” (Message Bible)

Matthew 20:28 “The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give His life a ransom for many.” (NKJV)

