



The **POWER** Of Love

Love's Power Over Time

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1. Discuss what 1 Corinthians 13:8 says about the power of love.
 - a. Although the Corinthian church was a young church, with no New Testament to go by, can our churches still relate to the issues that they were going through?
 - b. The lesson says “there was more of Corinth in the church than the church in Corinth.” Is the same true for our nation?
 - c. How does this affect the purpose of the Church to reach the world?
 - d. What is the defining characteristic of all who follow Christ? (John 13:35) Do you think that 1 Corinthians 13 is as applicable to our churches as it was to those in Corinth?

2. Discuss the difference between love and the other spiritual gifts. What makes love so unparalleled?
 - a. How is love different from the other attributes of God? Why is this important?
 - b. What is the difference between the human object of our love and love itself? How is this related to *agape*?
 - c. Because of its relation to God, why will love never fail?
 - d. Discuss the differences between human love and God's love. What are some examples of God's love reflected through people? Share some stories of people who may have affected you with their love.
 - e. How can we reflect God's love to others?

3. Read 1 John 4:7-21 and discuss the following questions.
 - a. What can we conclude about a person who claims to know God but is not a loving person? (verse 8a) How can this be convicting to all Christians?
 - b. How did God manifest His love “toward us”? (verse 9) In light of this, how much should we be willing to sacrifice for others?

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