

**AVELEIGH FELLOWSHIP OF
PRESBYTERIANS
VALENTINE'S DAY WEEKEND,
FEBRUARY 10, 2019
SERIES; SEASON OF INSPIRATION
SERMON: LOVE THAT LASTS**

TEXTS,

1 COR. 13:4-13

P. 1232



Corinthians 13:4-13 1232

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, 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.

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⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.

¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.

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¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.



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JUDGES 15:15-16 P. 272

THEN SHE SAID TO HIM, “HOW CAN YOU SAY, ‘I LOVE YOU,’ WHEN YOU WON’T CONFIDE IN ME? THIS IS THE THIRD TIME YOU HAVE MADE A FOOL OF ME AND HAVEN’T TOLD ME THE SECRET OF YOUR GREAT STRENGTH.”

¹⁶ WITH SUCH NAGGING SHE PRODDED HIM DAY AFTER DAY UNTIL HE WAS SICK TO DEATH OF IT.

**INTRO: GOD: “I have
loved you with an
everlasting love.”**

Jeremiah 31:3b (NIV)



**4 CHOICES
THAT MAKE
LOVE LAST**



1.LASTING LOVE EXTENDS GRACE!

- ▶ “Love never stops being patient” 1 Cor. 13:7a (GW)
 - ▶ “. . . puts up with anything”
 - ▶ 1 Cor. 13:7a (Mes)
- ▶ “. . . patiently accepts all things”
 - ▶ 1 Cor. 13:7a (NCV)
- ▶ “. . . is always ready to make allowances”
 - ▶ 1 Cor. 13:7a (NJB)





**WHEN MY LOVED
ONE'S FAULTS
IRRITATE ME.**

**“Be humble and
gentle by being
patient with each
other, making
allowance for
each other's
faults because
of your love.”**

Eph. 4:2



▶ **WHEN MY LOVED ONE'S WORDS OR ACTIONS HURT ME.**

▶ **“Love forgets mistakes. Nagging about them parts the best of friends.” Proverbs 17:9 (LB)**

▶ **“... Love forgives all offenses.” Proverbs 10:12b (TEV)**



▶ **“Let your love for one another be intense, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”**

▶ **1 Peter 4:8 (NAB)**

WHEN MY LOVED ONE SINS.





**2. LASTING LOVE
EXPRESSES FAITH
“LOVE NEVER STOPS
HOPING” 1 COR.**

13:7C (GW)

**“... ALWAYS
EXPECTS THE BEST”
1 COR. 13:7C (LB)**

**“... ALWAYS
LOOKS FOR THE
BEST” 1 COR. 13:7C
(MES)**

**(DELILAH)
“HOW CAN YOU
SAY, ‘I LOVE
YOU,’ WHEN
YOU DON’T
TRUST
ME?” JUDGES
16:15A (NCV)**





**A LOVE THAT
LASTS,
“JESUS COULD
NOT DO MANY
MIGHTY WORKS
THERE BECAUSE
OF THEIR LACK
OF FAITH.”**


MARK 6:5-6



**“LET US BE
ALWAYS
SEEKING THE
WAYS THAT
LEAD TO PEACE
AND THE WAYS
IN WHICH WE
CAN SUPPORT
EACH OTHER.”
ROMANS 14:19
(NJB)**



**WHAT DO
YOU DO
WHEN YOU
CAN'T TRUST
A SPOUSE?**

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**YOU
TRUST
GOD!**



**Elizabeth Barrett
Browning the
famous poet said
“*Whoever loves,
believes the
impossible!*”**





3. LASTING LOVE EXPECTS THE BEST





***“LOVE NEVER
STOPS
HOPING” 1 COR.
13:7C (GW)
“... ALWAYS
EXPECTS THE
BEST” 1 COR.
13:7C (LB)
“... ALWAYS
LOOKS FOR
THE BEST” 1
COR. 13:7C
(MES)***

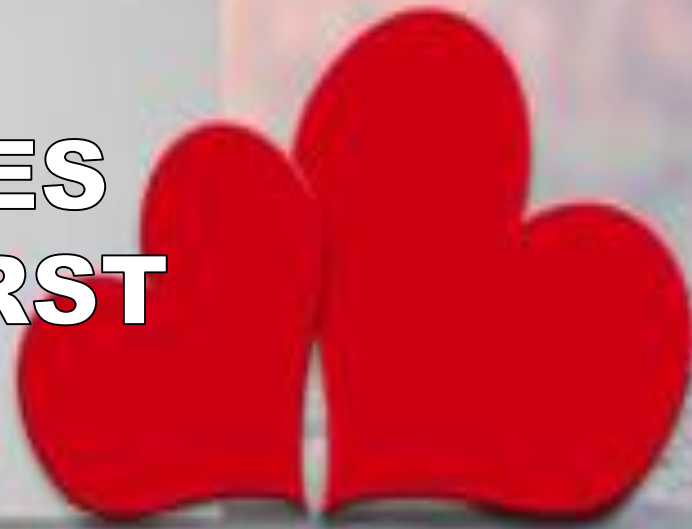


“If you love someone, you will be loyal to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him.”
1 Cor. 13:7 (LB)



**“ENCOURAGE
EACH
OTHER AND
BUILD
EACH
OTHER UP.”
1 THESS.
5:11 (NLT)**

**4. LASTING
LOVE
ENDURES
THE WORST**



“Love never gives up”

1 Cor. 13:7d (GW)

“... endures through every circumstance.”

1 Cor.13:7d (NLT)

“... always perseveres”

1 Cor. 13:7d (NIV)

“... never looks back, but keeps going to the end.”

1 Cor. 13:7d (Mes)





**“When
desperate
people give
up on God
Almighty,
their friends,
at least,
should stick
with them!”
Job 6:14
(Mes)**

PRAYER:

**LOVING GOD GRANT TO
EACH OF US A LOVE
FOR ONE ANOTHER
THAT WILL LAST
FOREVER. AMEN.**

BENEDICTION

**GOD IS
GOOD**





BENEDICTION

**ALL
THE
TIME**



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