

I Will: 3 of 5
“Demonstrate Love”
Cornerstone Church of Poway
Pastor Ed Turley
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Big Idea: I will make grace the foundation for my relationships.

“If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn’t love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.” **1 Corinthians 13:1 (NLT2)**

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (NIV)

I Will Demonstrate Love By Being:

1. _____

“Love is patient.” **1 Corinthians 13:4 (NLT2)**

“So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.” **John 13:34-35 (NLT2)**

Notes:

2. _____

“Love is... kind.” **1 Corinthians 13:4 (NLT2)**

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” **Ephesians 4:32 (NIV) Remember Verse**

Notes:

3. _____

“Love does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.” **1 Corinthians 13:4 (NIV)**

“And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face Him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.” **1 John 4:17 (NLT2)**

“Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced His perfect love.” **1 John 4:18 (NLT2)**

“For I am **convinced** that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” **Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)**

Notes:

4. _____

“It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.”

1 Corinthians 13:5-6 (NIV)

“Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.” **Galatians 6:1-2 (NIV)**

Notes:

5. _____

“Love... always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.” **1 Corinthians 13:7-8 (NIV)**

“This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” **1 John 4:10-11 (NIV)**

Notes:

➤ How am I loving the people God has given me?

I Will Demonstrate Love By Being:

[] Patient, Kind, Secure, Selfless, Faithful [circle one]
with: _____

[] Today I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior

[] Sign me up for the Partnership Class October 28, 12:30-3:00 pm

[] Sign me up for Believer's Baptism Nov. 4

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[This is only a guide – select the points you want to discuss.]

Open your group with a prayer.

Icebreaker: What was one of your favorite love songs as a teenager?

Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

When in your life have you felt the most loved?

How did that love affect your life?

In verses 1-3, what activities are useless without love?

How does love, as described in this chapter, compare to love typically defined in our culture?

Looking at the descriptions of perfect love in verses 4-7, in which of these descriptions are you the strongest?

In which one are you the weakest?

In your opinion, what is the best way to develop the ability to love others?

Read 1 Corinthians 13:12

How does it make you feel that you are fully known and loved by God?

Read Romans 8:38-39

What do you learn about God's love?

Read 1 John 4:10-11

How has God demonstrated His love?

How can a person know God and experience His love?

Read 1 John 4:17-18

How does God's love drive out fear?

What is the connection of God's love for us and the love we are to have for others?

Is the love discussed here an action or a feeling?

How do you want to love sacrificially this week at home?

At work?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.
