

**THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE**  
**1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13**

**I. THE DELUSION OF MISUNDERSTOOD LOVE [13:1-3]**

- A. ELOQUENCE WITHOUT LOVE [13:1]
- B. GIFTS AND KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT LOVE [13:2]
- C. SACRIFICE WITHOUT LOVE [13:3]

**II. THE DESCRIPTION OF LOVE [13:4-12]**

- A. LOVE'S ATTRIBUTES [13:4-6]
  - 1. IS LONG SUFFERING [13:4; ACTS 7:54-60; LK 23:34; ISA 53:7]
  - 2. IS KIND [13:4; ROM 2:4]
  - 3. ENVIETH NOT [13:4]
  - 4. VAUNTETH NOT ITSELF [13:4]
  - 5. IS NOT PUFFED UP [12:4]
  - 6. DOES NOT BEHAVE UNSEEMLY [13:5]
  - 7. SEEKETH NOT HER OWN [13:5; MATT 20:28; LK 22:42; PHIL 2:3-5]
  - 8. IS NOT EASILY PROVOKED [13:5]
  - 9. THINKETH NOT EVIL [13:5]
  - 10. REJOICETH NOT IN INIQUITY [13:6]
  - 11. REJOICETH IN THE TRUTH [13:6]
- B. LOVE'S FORTITUDE [13:7-12]
  - 1. BEARETH ALL THINGS [13:7; ROM 5:8]
  - 2. BELIEVETH ALL THINGS [13:7]
  - 3. HOPETH ALL THINGS [13:7]
  - 4. ENDURETH ALL THINGS [13:7]
  - 5. CHARITY NEVERETH FAILETH [13:8-12]

**III. THE DURABILITY OF LOVE [13:13]**

- A. THE THREE PILLARS THAT REMAIN [HEB 11:6; 1 JN 4:8; 1 COR 13:7]
- B. LOVE IS THE GREATEST [JN 13:3; MATT 27:37-38; 22:39-40]