

Sunday, 11-12-2023

2023-2024 Fall Quarter  
Unit III: Christ Frees, Law Enslaves

Love Fulfills The Law  
Bible Background: 1 Corinthians 13:8-13; Romans 13:8-10  
Printed Text: 1 Corinthians 13:8-13; Romans 13:8-10 KJV/NIV  
Devotional Reading: Mathew 22:34-40

**Prayer:** *God of love, we call on You today to help us to love those who love us and those who make it hard for us to love them. Guide us as we learn to appreciate the importance of all gifts in the church as we use our gifts for Your glory. Thank You for demonstrating the unselfishness of love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen*

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**Unifying Lesson Principle:**

1. We desire to follow rules and practices that lead to a rightful and satisfying way of life. ***When there are so many choices before us, how do we know what is the best and most pleasing way of living?*** Paul asserts that the whole of the Mosaic Law is summed up and fulfilled in the act of love.
  - a. What is my relationship like with Jesus? – **Malachi 3:16-18**
  - b. Do I seek to please God or my flesh? – **Wed: Deuteronomy 10:12-22**

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**Lesson Objectives:**

1. Discover the supremacy of love in relation to the other expressions of faith.
2. Desire earnestly to grow in love for God, self, and neighbor.
3. Assume responsibility for showing this supreme love.

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**Devotional Reading: Friday: The Greatest Commandment Is Love – Matthew 22:34-40**

- Can you love God and not your neighbor? – **Deuteronomy 6:5**
- How does love fulfill the Law?

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**Exposition and Application of the Scripture: – Fulfill the Law through Love – 1 Corinthians 13:8-13; Romans 13:8-10**

**A. Greatest of All Things (GOAT) – 1 Corinthians 13:8-13**

- (v. 8) What three (3) spiritual gifts won't be necessary when Jesus' returns?
- (v. 11) What childish ways have I not let go of? – **2 Corinthians 3:12-18**
- (v. 13) Why is love the greatest commandment? – **Mon: 1 John 4:7-13; Tue: 1 John 4:14-21**
- What are the four (4) verbs/actions that Love **"DOES"**?
- What are the seven (7) negative descriptions that Love **"IS NOT"**?
- What four (4) types of love are mentioned throughout the Bible, and which one is the most prominent? – **John 3:16**
- Why are faith, hope, and charity left behind?

**B. The Continual Debt of Love – Romans 13:8; 1 Timothy 1:3-15**

- What are the benefits to agape love? – **Romans 12:9-21**
- Is peace better than justice? – **Romans 13:7**
- Am I too indebted to love others? – **Sat: Leviticus 19:11-18; Galatians 5:13-21**

**C. Cause No Harm to Thy Neighbor – Romans 13:9-10**

- What debt can we never repay?
- Who is our neighbor? – **Luke 10:25-37**