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FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

What is Love?

Baby don't hurt me...no, no, no...that's not what I am talking about. What is love as defined in Scripture? "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son..." John 3:16. "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:7–8. There are many wonderful Scriptures describing and explaining love. Let's focus our thoughts on another popular love location in Scripture, 1 Corinthians 13.

You have probably heard these verses quoted in a wedding, 1 Corinthians 13:4–8. What if I told you that the way most people have viewed 1 Corinthians 13 all these years is wrong? The point of 1 Corinthians 13 is not to describe love in a marriage, even though it can be applied there *eventually*. The point of 1 Corinthians 13 is to challenge Christians within the same church group to unite in love for one another.

Are you ready to take the "Do I love my brother and sister test":

Love is patient \rightarrow Am I patient with those I disagree with or become "bothered" by? Love is kind \rightarrow This is an attitude I work to always have and push with the congregation.

Love does not envy \rightarrow I do not feel discontented because others have more than me. Love does not boast \rightarrow My conversations are others-centered.

Love is not arrogant \rightarrow I suffocate all pride in my life other than what is in Christ. Love is not rude \rightarrow To love another is to refuse to be rude, no matter the circumstances.

Love does not insist on its own way \rightarrow I am okay if things aren't as I want them to be. Love is not irritable or resentful \rightarrow I am not easily annoyed or bothered by others. Love does not rejoice at others wrongdoings \rightarrow Self-explanatory.

Love rejoices with the truth \rightarrow We need to increase our joy & celebration of truths!

Love **bears** all things, **believes** all things, **hopes** all things, **endures** all things. **Love never ends.** How well did you fare taking the love test?

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

AM Sermon: 1 Timothy 3:14-16

PM Sermon: Kids Sermon (Joshua 5:13-15)

During the month of August we will be training those interested in helping with the multi-media/streaming responsibilities during worship. Please see Justin Beckman if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

SICK/PRAYER LIST

Lane Baker, Colton Clifton (deployed overseas), Marjorie Cox, Rayford & Rhoda Gist, Mary Garrett, Eleanor Martin, Leo Martin, Helen Parker, Larry Phillips, Paul Richardson, Shelby Wade

<u>FAMILY/FRIENDS</u>: Brian Allen (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), <u>Willie Bird</u> (brother of Mary Garrett), <u>June Jones</u> (mother of Kaye Holderfield), <u>Larry Martin</u> (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington), <u>Vance Pitts</u> (husband of Patsy Pitts), <u>Brett Wyatt</u> (10 year old son of friend of Amy Dickson-has leukemia)

CEDAR VIEW ASSISTED LIVING: Doug Webster, Room 111;

LAUDERDALE CHRISTIAN NURSING HOME:

Mary Nix, Room 6

Continue to pray for everyone that has lost loved ones

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERIES

Wednesday, July 28th: "A Sling-Shot in the Bible," (1 Samuel 17); Speaker: Daniel Ridinger

Wednesday, August 4th: "A Cup Of Water in the Bible," (2 Samuel 23:14-17; Matthew 10:42); Speaker: Chris Miller

THANK YOU

To the Youth Group and Young Professionals, thank you for your kindness and uplifting my Spirit, when you came to visit me on Monday, July 19th. I greatly appreciate it!

Love you all, Dale Boren

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THANK YOU (continued)

We sincerely thank all of you for the wonderful visit, the beautiful singing, the smiles and laughter, the prayer, and the DELICIOUS food. It was such a pleasure to have your love and care in our home. We have missed all of you so much. Your sincere concern is evident and very much appreciated.

We love our youth, and the care and interest shown by all of you.

Thanks to Austin and Brianne for the time you spend doing ALL good things for the interest of others.

We sincerely love our church family so very much and miss all of you. Thank you so much for taking the time to show your love for us. Please know that we love and appreciate all of you so much.

I can still hear Brooks sweet voice in my mind, singing the beautiful song with all of us together. We send much love and many prayers for our church family.

We again thank all of you with much love, Tommy and Martha Smith

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM: 305 / On Line Views: 310 Sunday School: 222/ On Line Views: N/A Sunday PM: 182 / On Line Views: 142 Wednesday: 162 / On Line Views: 139

> Budget: \$13,300 Contribution: \$ 14,041



Sermon Titles:

AM:

PM:

Assignments

Morning Worship Evening Worship Scripture Reader: Scripture Reader:

Leading in Communion:

Prayers Prayers
First – First –
Last – Last –

Youth Led: (4:55pm)

Song: Scripture: Prayer:

Sermon Notes

Key Words:

Outline: