

All You Need Is Love
Characteristics of Love

I. Introduction

- A. I Corinthians 13:4-8 (NLT) ⁴*Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud⁵ or rude. Love does not demand its own way. Love is not irritable, and it keeps no record of when it has been wronged. ⁶It is never glad about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. ⁷Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. ⁸Prophecy and speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will become useless. But love will last forever!*
- B. If you just let your life “_____,” you will _____ “drift” into becoming a more loving person!

II. Characteristics of Love

- A. Love is _____.
1. The skill of _____ - _____
 2. “Practicing _____ control”
 3. We all have to learn how to use _____ - _____!
- B. Love is _____.
1. I John 3:18 (NAS) *Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.*
 2. The skill of _____
- C. Love is not _____.
1. James 3:16 (NAS) *For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing.*
 2. The skill of _____
 3. “What do I really _____ in this life?”
 4. Romans 6:23a (NAS) *For the wages of sin is death.*

- D. Love does not _____ and is not _____.
1. I Corinthians 13:4b (NLT) *Love is not jealous or boastful or proud.*
 2. The skill of _____ - _____
- E. Love is not _____.
1. The skill of _____
- F. Love is not _____ - _____.
1. The skill of being _____ - _____
 2. Philippians 2:3-4 (NAS) ³*Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; ⁴do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.*
- G. Love is not easily _____.
1. The “_____ - _____” skill
- H. Love keeps no record of _____.
1. The skill of “_____”
- I. Love always _____, trusts, and _____.
1. Love makes the choice to _____ the _____!
 2. The skill of _____
 3. Deeply loving people _____ on others!
 4. Revelation 3:20 (NAS) *‘Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.’*
 5. “How long did Jesus knock on the door of _____ before you opened it?”

III. Conclusion