

The Value of Love

I. Introduction

- A. Mark 12:29-31 (NLT) ²⁹Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. ³⁰And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' ³¹The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"
- B. I Corinthians 13:13 (NLT) *There are three things that will endure—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.*

II. How Do You Build the Type of Love that Lasts?

- A. _____ what love is
- Misconceptions about love:
 - Love is just a _____.
 - Love is _____.
 - God says love is a _____!
 - Colossians 3:14 (NAS) *Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.*
 - Love has _____ behind it!
 - I John 3:18 (NAS) *Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.*
 - "Agape" - - A commitment to _____ toward another person!

B. _____ like love acts

- Be _____.
 - I Corinthians 13:4a (NAS) *Love is patient.*
 - Ephesians 4:2 (NLT) *Be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.*
- Love is _____.
 - I Corinthians 13:4a (NAS) *Love is patient, love is kind.*
- Love isn't "_____."
 - I Corinthians 13:4 (NAS) *Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant.*
- Love isn't _____.
 - I Corinthians 13:5 (NAS) *Does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered.*
- Love never _____.
 - I Corinthians 13:7 (NLT) *Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.*
 - God _____ no matter what!
 - The power to love _____ is found in _____ for you!

III. Conclusion