

OUR CHURCH IN 2017



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Living and Sharing the Gospel



John 5

- 16 So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, the Jewish leaders began to persecute him. 17 In his defence Jesus said to them, “My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working.”



1 Peter 5

- ... As a fellow elder, I appeal to you: **2** Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God. **3** Don't lord it over the people assigned to your care, but lead them by your own good example.



1 Cor 13

➔ 1 If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge,



1 Cor 13

- ▶ and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing. **3**If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing.



1 Cor 13

- ➔ 8 Prophecy and speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will become useless. But love will last forever!



1 Cor 13

➡ 4 Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud 5 or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. 6 It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. 7 Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.



LOVE IS ...

- **ACCEPTING**
 - **GIVING / SHARING**
 - **ENDURING, NEVER GIVING UP, NEVER FAILS**
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John 13

- ➔ 1 Before the Passover celebration, Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father. He had loved his disciples during his ministry on earth, and now he loved them to the very end.



John 13

➔ **34** So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. **35** Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”