

THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE

LOVE NEVER FAILS

1 Corinthians 13:7-13 Jeff Schreve

Why is love the greatest?

1. Love truly cares.

Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8

A. Love exposes sin so it can be confessed.

B. Love covers sin so it can be forgiven and forgotten.

2. Love believes the best.

A. Love is not gullible.

Fools believe every word they hear, but wise people think carefully about everything. Proverbs 14:15 ERV

B. Love is not suspicious and distrusting.

3. Love doesn't give up hope.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

I would have despaired unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living. Wait for the LORD; Be strong, and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for the LORD. Psalm 27:13-14

4. Love always endures.

A. Love stands firm against intense opposition.

And when they had driven him out of the city, they began stoning him, and the witnesses laid aside their robes at the feet of a young man named Saul. And they went on stoning Stephen as he called upon the Lord and said, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" And falling on his knees, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them!" And having said this, he fell asleep. Acts 7:58-60

B. Love lasts for all eternity. 1 Corinthians 13:8-13

Do you realize that this love resides in every Christian?