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Wednesday, July 22, 2020 - Group Study

Lesson Series: Fruit of the Spirit

Lesson Series Text: *(Gal. 5:13-26)*

Lesson 2: Love the Greatest of These

Lesson 2 Text: *(I Cor. 13:1-13)*

All Scriptures are KJV; unless otherwise noted.

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- I. The nine characteristics of the Fruit the of Spirit can be grouped as follows:
 - A. Love, joy, and peace is directly connected to our relationship with the Father.
 - B. Longsuffering, gentleness, and goodness is directly connected to our relationship to mankind.
 - C. Faith, meekness, and temperance is directly connected to our warfare with demonic forces.
- II. Love is preeminent.
 - A. The greatest commandment. *(Mark 12:30-31)*
 - B. The fulfilling of the Law. *(Rom. 13:10 KJV; AMPC; TLB)*
 - C. The gift of Tongues. *(I Cor. 13:1 KJV; TLB)*
 - D. The gift of Prophecy, Wisdom, Knowledge, and Faith. *(I Cor. 13:2 KJV; AMPC)*
 - E. The sacrificial giving of one's goods (benevolence) and sacrificial giving of one's life (martyrdom). *(I Cor. 13:3 KJV; TLB)*
 - F. Love is greater than faith and hope. *(I Cor. 13:13 KJV; AMPC)*
- III. Love is the test for true discipleship *(John 13:35 KJV; AMPC)*
- IV. Love reveals the reality of the New Life. *(I John 3:14 KJV; AMPC)*
- V. God is love. *(I John 4:8 KJV; TLB)*
- VI. Quotations on Love.
 - A. Agape love is . . . profound concern for the well-being of another, without any desire to control that other, to be thanked by that other, or to enjoy the process.
Madeleine L'Engle
 - B. Forgetting oneself is not a refinement of love. It is a first condition of love.
Leon Joseph Suenens
 - C. If you have love, you are not only going to think no evil, you're going to take your tongue and have it nailed to the cross so that you bless instead of curse.
Billy Graham
 - D. Love can hope where reason would despair. ***Lord George Lyttelton***
 - E. Love is . . . the gift of oneself. ***Jean Anouilh***
 - F. Love is a symbol of eternity. It wipes out all sense of time, destroying all memory of a beginning and all fear of an end. ***Anne-Louise-Germaine de Staël***
 - G. Nobody will know what you mean by saying that "God is love" unless you act it as well. ***Lawrence Pearsall Jacks***

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