

"Breaking Down Love Into Bite-Size Pieces"

1 John 4:7-10

⁷ Dear friends, let us **LOVE** one another, for **LOVE** comes from God. Everyone who **LOVES** has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not **LOVE**. ⁹ This is how God showed his **LOVE** among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰ This is **LOVE**: not that we **LOVED** God, but that he **LOVED** us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

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1 Corinthians 13:4-8

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸ Love never fails.

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Eugene Peterson's translation of love

- Love never gives up.
- Love cares more for others than for self.
- Love doesn't want what it doesn't have.
- Love doesn't strut,
- Doesn't have a swelled head,
- Doesn't force itself on others,
- Isn't always "me first,"
- Doesn't fly off the handle,
- Doesn't keep score of the sins of others,
- Doesn't revel when others grovel,
- Takes pleasure in the flowering of truth,
- Puts up with anything,
- Trusts God always,
- Always looks for the best,
- Never looks back,
- But keeps going to the end.
- Love never dies.