



# The Solution

1 Corinthians 1 -13

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## The solution for relationship problems:

### 1. Focus on the heart of God and the sanctity of others

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

### 2. Focus on God's words

1 Corinthians 1:10-12

### 3. Focus on Christ and the cross

1 Corinthians 1:13-2:5

### 4. Seek God's wisdom through prayer

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

### 5. Repent of the real problem; worldly wisdom and arrogance

1 Corinthians 3

### 6. Serve one another as good stewards of God's truth

1 Corinthians 4

### 7. Help each other - whatever it takes

1 Corinthians 5:1-6:11

### 8. Exemplify discipline and devotion and flee immorality

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

### 9. Esteem singleness

1 Corinthians 7

### 10. Meet your spouse's needs

1 Corinthians 7

### 11. Sacrifice your rights to edify the weak

1 Corinthians 8

### 12. Sacrifice your rights to witness to the lost

1 Corinthians 9

### **13. Flee idolatry and glorify God**

1 Corinthians 10

### **14. Exemplify appropriate submission**

1 Corinthians 11:1-16

<sup>3</sup> But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ. (1Cor 11:3)

### **15. Share food and the Lord's Supper together**

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

<sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

<sup>27</sup> Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

<sup>28</sup> But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (1Cor 11:26-28)

### **16. Serve one another with your gifts**

1 Corinthians 12

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.

<sup>5</sup> And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord.

<sup>6</sup> And there are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons.

<sup>7</sup> But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1Cor 12:4-7)



## **The Greatest Pursuit A Prelude to Mother's Day\***

1 Corinthians 13

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### **The Necessity of Love**

**1 Corinthians 13:1** If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

<sup>2</sup> And if I have *the gift of prophecy*, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

<sup>3</sup> And if I give all my possessions to feed *the poor*, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.

## The Life Style of Love

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient,

love is kind,

*and* is not jealous;

love does not brag

*and* is not arrogant,

<sup>5</sup>does not act unbecomingly;

it does not seek its own,

is not provoked,

does not take into account a wrong *suffered*,

<sup>6</sup>does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;

<sup>7</sup>bears all things,

believes all things,

hopes all things,

endures all things.

## The Superiority of Love

<sup>8</sup> Love never fails; but if *there are gifts of prophecy*, they will be done away; if *there are tongues*, they will cease; if *there is knowledge*, it will be done away.

<sup>9</sup> For we know in part, and we prophesy in part;

<sup>10</sup> but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away.

<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I used to speak as a child, think as a child, reason as a child; when I became a man, I did away with childish things.

<sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know fully just as I also have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup> But now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

## **1 Corinthians 14:1 Pursue love, ...**

\*The original campaigner for creating Mother's Day, Anna Jarvis, explicitly wanted an apostrophe, and she wanted it to be before the "s": ... it was to be a singular possessive, for each family to honour their mother, not a plural possessive commemorating all mothers in the world.

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