

Love Makes the Difference

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I. Introduction.

A. We must learn to love our wives as Christ loved the church. (Ephesians 5)

B. We must also learn to love everyone.

C. Text: 1 Corinthians 13.

II. Nine ingredients make up love.

A. Patience.

B. Kindness.

C. Generosity.

D. Humility

E. Courtesy.

F. Selflessness.

G. Good tempered.

H. Guilelessness.

I. Sincerity.

III. Love can only be expressed by action.

A. In order to be loving, we must act loving.

B. Jesus loved the world through action. (John 13:35; Ephesians 5:25; John 3:16; 1 John 3:18)

C. We do not feel our way into acting; we act our way into feeling.

IV. There is always more love to give.

Application questions:

1. Which characteristic of love do you find to be most difficult?

2. What are some ways that your love manifests itself in action?

3. What are two ways you can grow in your love? Explain.
