

# Church >in< Community | 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## OVERVIEW

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In 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Paul emphasizes that love is the foundation of Christian living, surpassing all spiritual gifts and personal accomplishments. He describes love as selfless, enduring, and central to faith and hope, highlighting its eternal significance in the life of a believer.

## OHANA TIME!

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**Icebreaker:** What is your favorite part of the Thanksgiving story? **Or** What is one of your favorite Thanksgiving passages in Scripture?

**Activity:** Get together for Thanksgiving!

## PRAYER

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**Pray as a group:** Enter His gates with thanksgiving in your heart! Gives praise and thanksgiving to the Giver of all good things!

## QUESTIONS: 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

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1. How does Paul define love in verses 4–7? Which of these qualities stands out to you the most, and why?
2. Why does Paul say that without love, even spiritual gifts like prophecy, knowledge, or faith are meaningless? Can you think of examples where actions or talents might appear valuable outwardly but lack true meaning without love?
3. What does it mean that love “never fails” (v. 8)? How does this contrast with spiritual gifts that will cease?
4. What do the three enduring virtues—faith, hope, and love—teach us about the priorities of the Christian life?
5. How does Paul’s description of love challenge the way our culture often defines love?
6. In what ways can focusing on love help us navigate conflicts or differences with others?

## APPLICATION

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1. Which aspect of love (e.g., patience, kindness, not keeping a record of wrongs) do you find most challenging? How can you grow in this area?
2. Think about a time when you struggled to love someone. How might Paul’s description of love encourage you to approach that situation differently?
3. What steps can you take to ensure that love remains central in your spiritual life and relationships?

