

1 CORINTHIANS 13 vs 1

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JESUS Christ said: **Greater love... has no one, than this: that a man lay down his life for his friends.** John 15. And then, He went out and died for us. Knowing that, the apostle Paul wrote...



¹ **Though I speak the languages of men and of angels,** / excerpts compiled from many different translators: **glossa...** where we get our word for glossary. If I sound like someone who has memorized a dictionary, even a dictionary in the heavens; even though I speak in every human and angelic language; if I can speak the languages of men, and even of angels,

but do not have love / **agape** but do not have **charity**; the love of **God**: **God** the Father; the love of **JESUS** Christ,

I am a noisy gong, or a clanging cymbal, / I am no better than the clash of cymbals; I am just a rattling New Year's Eve noise maker.

² **And though I have the gift of prophecy,** / even if I speak God's word; even though I have the gift of preaching; I may have the powers of prophecy,

and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge, / and know all sacred secrets; ...and know every kind of hidden truth... and every kind of knowledge; no secret hidden from me... no mystery too deep for me;

and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, / I might have such absolute faith that I can remove hills from their place; and if I could have perfect faith so that I could move around the Alps... the Andes... the Himalayas... and the Rockies... like checkers on a checkerboard,

and have not love / and have not charity; the love of GOD,

I am nothing, / I am useless; I would still be worth... nothing!

³ **And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor,** / if I should dole out everything I have; even if I give away all that I have... to feed the hungry,

and though I give my body to be burned, / to be burned at the stake; if I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel; if I were martyred,

and do not have love / but have no charity; the love of JESUS Christ,

it profits me nothing, / it avails me nothing; it counts for... nothing!

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⁴ **Love is patient, and is kind,** / the love of **GOD** is **very patient**; it is **very** kind; this love of which I speak... is slow... to lose patience;

agape / the love of **JESUS Christ**... **does not envy**;

love **does not vaunt itself** / it does not brag; THEIR love never boils with jealousy; it is never anxious to impress; THEIR love... makes no parade; Love... is never envious... never boastful,

The love of **GOD the Father**... **is not puffed up**, / it is not arrogant... nor conceited; it does not put on airs... nor does it cherish inflated ideas... of its own importance,

The love of **JESUS Christ**...

⁵ **does not behave itself unseemly**, / it is never rude... nor unmannerly; it isn't indecent; it is never selfish. THEIR love... does not insist on its own way; it does not insist on its rights,

agape **does not seek its own**, / Love is never self-seeking; it does not pursue selfish aims,

GOD's love is not easily provoked, **it does not think evil** / Love bears no malice; Love is not quick to take offense; Love keeps no score... of wrongs; ...the love of GOD is not irritable or resentful; GOD's love is not quick tempered or touchy! It does not keep account of evil;

⁶ **Love** **does not rejoice in iniquity**, **but rejoices in the truth**, / it rejoices not in wrong doing; THEIR love takes no pleasure in wrong-doing; it does not gloat over other men's sins; Love is never glad... when others go wrong, / it joyfully sides with the truth; GOD's love is always glad when truth prevails;

⁷ **Love bears all things, Love believes all things**, / Love can overlook faults... and has unquenchable faith; **GOD's** love is always slow to expose; it's always eager to believe the best! Love bears up under anything; it exercises faith in everything; there is nothing love cannot face; there is no limit to its faith,

Love hopes all things / Love hopes under all circumstances; it keeps up hope in everything. This love of **GOD**... and from **GOD endures all things**. Love endures without limit; it gives us power to endure... everything.

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever | The Spirit and the Bride Say Come
Every Praise | O Come Let Us Adore Him