

SOULFUL SCRIPTURE

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails." 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8

DEVOTION DIVE

After hearing a word so often, we can forget what it really means. The word *love* can be like that. We say *I love you* quickly, but can easily forget its meaning.

1 Corinthians 13 gives us a great picture of what love is and what it isn't. It's a good assessment on how loving we have been with our friends and family.

If each of us were rated on the qualities in these verses, Jesus would of course get a perfect score, but as humans we're not perfect, so our score would not be quite as high! But the beautiful thing about love is that forgiveness is a key part of it.

So when we fall short and don't love like we want to, we can relax and breathe, accept God's forgiveness through Jesus, and try again. He will strengthen us and help us to love like Him.

FILL IN THE GAPS

LOVE IS _____. LOVE IS _____. IT DOES
_____. IT DOES _____ BOAST.
IT IS NOT _____. IT DOES NOT DISHONOR OTHERS.
IT IS NOT SELF-SEEKING. IT IS NOT _____
_____. IT KEEPS _____
OF WRONGS. LOVE DOES _____ DELIGHT IN EVIL BUT
_____ WITH THE _____.

MINDFUL MOMENTS

- 1 Which quality from this Scripture do you do well?
- 2 Pick one quality that is NOT love from the verse that you need to work on. Write a prayer asking God to help you with it.
- 3 Pick one quality of love from the Scripture and share how you can love like that this week. And then do it!

QUIZ QUEST

Let's do a self-assessment. Score 1 to 5 for each quality, with 1 meaning you need a lot of help and 5 meaning you got it!

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| ☐ Patient | ☐ Honor Others |
| ☐ Kind | ☐ Not Self-seeking |
| ☐ Not Envious | ☐ Not Easily Angered |
| ☐ Not Boastful | ☐ Keeps No Record of Wrongs |
| ☐ Not Proud | ☐ Rejoices with the truth |

Ask God to help you in the areas you need it—we sure all need His help! And, remember that He loves you ALWAYS!

CREATIVE CORNER

Use the verse to fill in the chart!

LOVE IS...

LOVE IS NOT...