

60-Day New Testament Journey
How to Never Fail
February 16/17, 2013

Memorize

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.
– 1 Corinthians 13:13, NIV

Connect With Others (*choose one*)

1. What was one of your favorite love songs when you were growing up? What about today?

2. When in your life have you felt most loved? How did that affect your life?

Commit to Growth

Read 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13; 1 John 4:19-21

1. What are some basic definitions our culture gives us on the topic of love? Do these definitions affect how you live? What does Paul have to say about some of the modern day definitions of love from his day (v.1-3)?

2. In considering the traits of love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, in which one of these descriptions are you the strongest? In which one are you the weakest?

3. Read Romans 5:6-11. Think about each characteristic of love and describe how God demonstrated it, based on these verses.

4. Read 1 John 4:19-21. John informs us that loving God and loving others are two sides of the same coin. Have you ever considered that loving others may be the most important spiritual discipline you practice? What does this realization mean for you?

5. What is the “hut tub” in your life? What do you love so much, that it’s coming between you loving God and loving others?

6. If you view love with an eternal perspective, how will you invest in “loving others” in accordance with its description in v. 4–7:
 - a. To your neighbors and friends?

 - b. To fellow-Christians?

 - c. To your opponents and enemies?

7. As a group, make a list of ideas, which might help each other to persevere (or endure) in love, even when others make it difficult.

Pray