Fan into flame the gift of God which is in you

STUDIES IN FIRST CORINTHIANS SESSION TWELVE CHAPTER 13



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Chapter 13 is a part of the three-chapter-section which deals with spiritual gifts. In Chapter 12, we have seen the foundational principles for gifts. Chapter 12 tells us:

What They Are

How They Are Received

What Is Their Purpose

and What Some of Them Are

Seemingly, gifts had become a source of pride and exclusion. In Chapter13, Paul emphasizes it does not matter what you do, if it is done with the wrong spirit. The spirit that must characterize us and motivate our actions is *Love*.

It is not what we do, but how we do it, that makes a difference.

LOVE	(1 Corinthians 12:31)	The More Excellent Way	
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OUTLINE

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GIFTS are temporary

LOVE brings the ultimate of our faith

SEEING GOD face-to-face

Even Among the Great - **LOVE** is the Greatest

I.	SERVICE WITHOUT LOVE (I Cor. 13:1-3)
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