

Sunday Message: April 10, 2022

Real People. Real Church. Real Grace. | Love Displayed

Danny Lamonte | 1 Corinthians 13:8-13

Passage Exploration Questions

The primary translation our pastors use on Sunday morning is the ESV. You may find it helpful to use the ESV along with corresponding notes in the ESV Study Bible when reflecting on the questions below.

Read I Corinthians 13:8-13.

1

According to these passages, what lasts and what doesn't? What does this say about spiritual gifts imparted to us by God? In verse 10, what does "when the perfect comes, the imperfect disappears" mean?

2

Reading vv. 11-12, Paul talks about setting aside childish ways in adulthood and then goes on to talk about looking in the mirror. These are two analogies tied together. What is he talking about and how does this relate to the discussion of love and gifts? How does this relate to partially knowing and fully knowing God?

3

Define faith, hope, and love as enduring eternal qualities (I Thessalonians 1:3; 5:8; Romans 5:1-5; Colossians 1:4-5; Ephesians 4:2-5). Explain why Paul says that love is the greatest of these.

Application & Spiritual Formation Questions

1

I Corinthians 13 is a beautiful reminder that spiritual gifts are temporary, but love is an on-going way of life that carries into eternity. What does this mean for the church and for following God?

2

Pastor Danny says, loving someone, no matter their status, situation, or reciprocity, is the truest apologetic of our belief in the Gospel and of the existence of God. How can we grow in this kind of love toward others and what does it look like practically speaking?

3

Discuss what Pastor Danny shares about speaking “the truth in love” and how this is applied to the church family. Do you agree or disagree that it is difficult to find passages where the “sinner” is confronted prior to healing and forgiveness? Discuss ramifications of this insight.