



❖ MESSAGE NOTES ~ August 13, 2023

LABOR OF LOVE ~ Week 3
Love Is A Verb - Part 2

~ CHARACTERISTICS OF LOVE ~

4) LOVE DOES NOT BOAST/IT IS NOT PROUD

~ PERPEREUOMAI - GREEK ~

acting like a braggart, a "show off" who needs too much attention

... Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up.... ~ 1 Corinthians 8:1b

~ PHUSIOÓ - GREEK ~

an air billows attached to a furnace, blowing hot air by puffing it up

~ RALPH WALDO EMERSON ~

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

5) LOVE KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONGS

~ LOGIZOMAI - GREEK ~

to count or to reckon, to add up, to keep an accounting of,
to keep a list, a ledger of all the credits and debits,
to rehearse and commit to memory, to keep a record

~ KAKOS - GREEK ~

wickedness or evil in general

To say that love keeps no record of wrongs is to bear the full weight of the sin committed against you, AND to accept the consequences of that sin in the place of the one who caused the sin.

~ 50:20 VISION ~

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. ~ Genesis 50:20

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. ~ Matthew 6:14-15



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Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times." ~ Matthew 18:21-22

For this reason, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his slaves. As he began settling his accounts, a man who owed 10,000 talents was brought to him. ~ Matthew 18:23-24

Because he was not able to repay it, the lord ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, children, and whatever he possessed, and repayment to be made. Then the slave threw himself to the ground before him, saying, "Be patient with me, and I will repay you everything." The lord had compassion on that slave and released him, and forgave him the debt. ~ Matthew 18:25-27

After he went out, that same slave found one of his fellow slaves who owed him 100 silver coins. So he grabbed him by the throat and started to choke him, saying, "Pay back what you owe me!" Then his fellow slave threw himself down and begged him, "Be patient with me, and I will repay you." ~ Matthew 18:28-29

But he refused. Instead, he went out and threw him in prison until he repaid the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were very upset and went and told their lord everything that had taken place. Then his lord called the first slave and said to him, "Evil slave! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me! Should you not have shown mercy to your fellow slave, just as I showed it to you?" And in anger his lord turned him over to the prison guards to torture him until he repaid all he owed. So also my heavenly Father will do to you, if each of you does not forgive your brother from your heart. ~ Matthew 18:30-35

6) LOVE DOESN'T DELIGHT IN EVIL/LOVE REJOICES IN THE TRUTH

~ CHAIRÓ - GREEK ~

delight, related to the word for gift or grace

~ ADIKIA - GREEK ~

evil, injustice, unrighteousness, deceit, treachery, lies, dishonesty

~ SUGCHAIRÓ - GREEK ~

rejoice with others in gladness

~ ALÉTHEIA - GREEK ~ truth, especially divine truth, reality

I am **THE** way, **THE** truth and **THE** life... ~ John 14:6

Appoint a wicked man over him, And let an accuser stand at his right hand. When he is judged, let him come forth guilty, And let his prayer become sin. Let his days be few; Let another take his office. Let his children be fatherless And his wife a widow. Let his children wander about and beg; And let them seek sustenance far from their ruined homes. Let the creditor seize all that he has, And let strangers plunder the product of his labor. Let there be none to extend lovingkindness to him, Nor any to be gracious to his fatherless children. Let his posterity be cut off; In a following generation let their name be blotted out. Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered before the Lord, And do not let the sin of his mother be blotted out. Let them be before the Lord continually, That He may cut off their memory from the earth; ~ Psalm 109:6-15

You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? If you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect. ~ Matthew 5:43-48