

* MESSAGE NOTES ~ August 20, 2023

LABOR OF LOVE ~ Week 4 Love Is A Verb - Part 3

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ~ 1 Corinthians 13:7

~ PAS - GREEK ~

all, or the whole, or every kind of, in the sense of "each and every part that applies."

~ CHARACTERISTICS OF LOVE ~

7) LOVE ALWAYS PROTECTS

~ STEGÓ - GREEK ~

to cover tightly, to keep something water-tight, to place under a roof or to cover or to shield, to bear up under all things

Love covers a multitude of sins. ~ 1 Peter 4:8b

~ KINSMAN REDEEMER ~

a near relative who acted as a protector of the family's rights

8) LOVE ALWAYS TRUSTS

True love Is ALWAYS trustworthy.

~ PISTEUÓ - GREEK ~

to believe, to trust, to place your faith in, to have confidence in

~ THREE TYPES OF TRUSTING PEOPLE ~

- 1) THE GULLIBLE PERSON
- 2) THE CYNIC
- 3) THE CAUTIOUS PERSON

Always assume the best of one another unless given concrete, irrefutable evidence to the contrary.

9) LOVE ALWAYS HOPES

~ ELPIZÓ - GREEK ~

to anticipate, or to expect, to actively wait and hope for something to come to pass

10) LOVE ALWAYS PERSEVERES

~ HUPOMENÓ - GREEK ~

to hold your position at all costs, to not give up ANY ground, no matter what

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ~ John 15:13

~ C.S. LEWIS ~

To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything and your heart will be wrung and possibly broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact you must give it to no one, not even an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements.

Lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness.
But in that casket, safe, dark, motionless, airless, it will change.
It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable. To love is to be vulnerable.





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