Pastor: Guy

MESSAGE NOTES

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Topic: Love

Bible Passage: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7,13

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When darkness descends, I need God and then I need love.	

#### **3 Main Points**

- I need God's love
- · I need love from others
- · I need to show love

#### TAKE ACTION

How will I incorporate prayer in my life?

**Gather-** Join a group - foxriver.cc/groups

Grow- Begin a Daily Rhythm of Bible Reading & Prayer- Youversion.com

**Give-** Ask God, How can I honor you in the giving of my time & finances.

Go- I will pray by name for \_\_\_\_\_\_ to come to know Jesus.

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# SAVE LIVES

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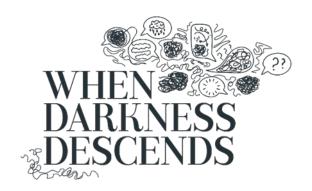
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# When Darkness Descends – 5 Resources from God: Faith – Hope – Love – Peace – Joy

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

1 Corinthians 13:1-8a

Vs 1-3 Algebra of Love
E-L = N
Everything – Love = Nothing!

Vs 4-7 Specifics of Love Eros – Romantic Love Philos – Brotherly Love Agape – God's Love

 $E-L^A=N$ 

#### Insight:

And so, we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

1 John 4:16

God is love God is... (4-7) Jesus is/lived (4-7)

#### 3 Needs and Actions of Love – When Darkness Descends

### 1. I need God's love (Agape)

A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner."

Luke 7:37-39

Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little."

Luke 7:47

# 2. I need love (agape) from others

"Don't call me Naomi," she told them. "Call me Mara, because the Almighty has made my life very bitter.

Ruth 1:20

# 3. I need to love (agape)

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

*Matthew 22:37-40* 

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

## Take Action:

1. Drink Deeply God's Love For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

- 2. Open yourself up to love from others
- 3. Love and serve others

#### **Bottom Line**

When Darkness Descends
I Need God
Then I Need Love