

**WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?
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I. WHAT IS LOVE?

- A. It's a word we hear a lot and even say a lot.
1. Love used this way refers to our feelings or emotions.
 2. The kind of love the Bible is talking about, however, isn't about feelings but about actions.
 3. Paul makes this clear in the great love chapter in the Bible, First Corinthians 13—1 Cor. 13:4.
- B. Love is one of the characteristics of God.
1. In fact the Bible says God is love—1 John 4:8.
 2. The ultimate demonstration of God's love was when He gave us His Son—John 3:16.
 3. As Christians we should live a life characterized by God's love—1 Peter 1:22.

II. NOW THAT WE KNOW WHAT LOVE IS AND THAT GOD EXPECTS US TO LOVE EACH OTHER, HOW DO WE DO IT?

- A. Aaron Gray in an article lists "10 Ways Christians Can Love Each Other".

1. Pray—1 Thess. 5:25.

1 Thessalonians 5:25
Brothers and sisters, pray for us.

2. Gather—Hebrews 10:25

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Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing....

3. Harmony—Rom. 12:16.

Romans 12:16
16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

4. Serve—Gal 5:13.

Gal 5:13
.....serve one another humbly in love.

5. Honor—Rom. 12:10.

Rom. 12:10

.....Honor one another above yourselves.

6. Encourage—1 Thess—5:11.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

7. Forgive—Col. 3:13.

Colossians 3:13

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

8. Fellowship—Acts 2:42.

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They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

9. Truth—Eph. 4:15.

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Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

10. Godliness—1 Tim. 4:8.

1 Timothy 6:6

But godliness with contentment is great gain.

- B. In 1984, Tina Turner released her only song to reach number one in American. It was titled, **“What’s Love Got To Do With It?”**

1. God answer’s Tina’s question in Gal. 5:14.
2. The Apostle John also answers her question—1 John 4:20.