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#### [1 Corinthians 13:1-7](#)

Today's Scripture is commonly known as the love chapter. Interestingly, Paul didn't spell out a definition of love but instead described its importance and expression.

This type of love isn't human in origin; it comes from our heavenly Father and is part of His very nature ([1 John 4:16](#)). What the apostle's describing is an unselfish, sacrificial love that acts on behalf of someone else. God's desire is to transform all believers into the image of Jesus ( [Romans 8:29](#)). And we are most like Christ when we display such selfless care for one another.

The first three verses of 1 Corinthians 13 issue a warning. Without the motivation of love, all our good deeds—including service for the Lord—will profit us nothing. In God's eyes, a loving spirit is more important than impressive words, knowledge, faith, generosity, and self-sacrifice. When we stand before Christ to be judged for our good works, any deeds done for selfish reasons will not be found worthy of reward.

We're all blind to some degree regarding our motives, so discerning why we serve God or do good deeds can be difficult. Pray to know your heart's hidden intentions, and ask the Lord to replace any self-centered motivations with His more excellent way of love.

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