

## “A Higher and Holier Love”

Text: 1 Corinthians 13

**FOCUS:** In our text today we will see some warnings of what is missing without Love, and some means of evaluating our hearts' condition so as to enable us to love fully and freely.

1. Noise Without LOVE Is Just \_\_\_\_\_. – vs. 1
2. Superior Knowledge Without LOVE Is \_\_\_\_\_. – vs. 2a
3. Miraculous Faith Without LOVE Leaves Us \_\_\_\_\_. – vs. 2b
4. Martyrdom Without LOVE Is \_\_\_\_\_. – v. 3

**Without Love we can hardly be called Christians!** Jesus Himself said that the world will know we are Christians?..*by our Love!*

- **Marriage** will not work without Love.
- **Couples** do not work without Love.
- **Churches** will not work without Love.
- **Nations** do not work without Love.

- The **world** just doesn't work when it tries to function without Love! **Does it?**

### Love Barometer

- When reading **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**,...
- Substitute **your name** in place of the word, *Love*.
- Prayerfully consider what you hear.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to **enlighten** you about the condition of your heart and your love.
- **[Begin reading 1 Cor. 13:4-8.]**
- How did YOU do?
- How would your SPOUSE say you do?
- How about your Friends, Co-workers, Family, Neighbors?

Yes! The world will know that we are Christians...by our Love!

**Is that a great Valentine's Day Goal, or what???**