

# What is Love?

Week 1

BRBC Groups

February 7, 2021

**Scripture** | John 15:1-15, 1 Corinthians 13

**Ice Breaker** |

1. What is one of your favourite love songs when you were a teenager?
2. What do you think of the word love what comes to mind?

**Going Deeper** |

1. What is something that stood out to you from this week's message? Do you have any questions about it?
2. In this week's message, Rob shared the four Greek words for love. What were they? Is this something you were previously familiar with?
3. Read John 15:1-15
4. In this section, Jesus repeats the terms remain in me, love and bear fruit. How are these three related? What is the fruit that will last?
5. How do verses 9 and 12 tie together?
6. The word that gets used for love here in Greek is derived from the term Agape. How does Jesus define love in this way?
7. What are Jesus' expectations of his followers in this passage?
8. Read 1 Corinthians 13
9. In the message this week, Rob said that this passage is not about romantic love. Let's look at it in the context of chapters 12 and 14. We can see it relates to how the church in Corinth related to one another and elevated themselves over other people, mainly regarding peoples' financial status and spiritual gifts. With this in mind, what is Paul's point in verses 1-3?
10. If you had to sum up what real love is by this passage, how would you do that in one sentence?
11. In the message this week, Rob suggested replacing the word love with your name in verses 4-8. If you did that, how did that feel? In what ways are you sometimes not loving?
12. Have you ever done a religious practice or act without love? What was it like?
13. Paul's definition of love is embodied in Jesus. What does it mean that Jesus was all these things? How does it change us?
14. How should we think and behave differently based on this discussion?