

#LOVE IS...  
Learning to love GOD and OTHERS  
'Gaining PERSEPECTIVE'

## Prayers

- For church members who are unwell and/or who no longer attend.
- For the Lunch Club
- For Reach out Recovery and the service users
- For those who use the church building for community purposes
- For Ena and family
- For Climate change and the challenges this brings to the earth
- For Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi
- For Brexit and the UK Government
- For the family/friends affected by knife/gun crime
- For countries under extreme oppression
- For those facing problems with debt
- For the those affected by mental health
  
- Give thanks for hope
- Give thanks for love
- Give thanks for truth

## Today's Service

- Bible Reading

## 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

### Songs

- ❖ My Jesus my Saviour
- ❖ Draw me close
- ❖ We are marching
- ❖ The power of Your love
- ❖ Who am I (new song)

Over the next 5 weeks we will be reflecting on – how to love GOD and OTHERS well.

In the first week of our 5 week series on 1 Corinthians 13, we focus on GAINING PERSPECTIVE

The church in Corinth had found itself to be in a place of difficulty where sexual immorality, idol worship, greed and arguments about spiritual gifts were at its forefront. Paul deals with this in his letter to them and leads to back to a place of perspective.....who they belong to and also the reason they are doing what they are doing.....and so he shows them a better way

***"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will". – Romans 12:2***

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## Reflection Points

Consider the following scripture verses this week as you reflect on Loving God and others

- Luke 10:27
- 1 John 4:19
- Romans 5:8
- John 13:34
- Philippians 2:3-4
- Matthew 5:43-48
- 1 Corinthians 16:14

## Notices

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019

- Next Lunch club will be on **15<sup>th</sup> April 2019**
- Please continue to support our emergency food parcel cupboard by bringing in some things off the list in the foyer when you can
- Church Prayer Meeting - **Every Sunday after the service**
- Gathering for prayer **every Sunday Morning 9.45-10.15AM**
- Next Deacons Meeting - **7 April 2019**
- Next Church Meeting and AGM – **5 May 2019**
- Easter Fun Day – **18 April 2019 – 11am – 2pm** – (helpers needed)
- Church Easter shared lunch – **Sunday 14 April 2019**
- Good Friday – **prayer walk – 10.30am – 12pm**
- **Kelly will be away from 6 May – 3 June 2019 – Mike will be joining you for that time**

*The church has a number of things to get involved with such as the sound desk, serving communion, leading prayer and making tea and coffee - let us know if feel able to get involved in some way*

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Not because of who I am,  
But because of what You've done.  
Not because of what I've done,  
But because of who You are.

I am a flower quickly fading:  
Here today and gone tomorrow.  
A wave tossed in the ocean,  
A vapor in the wind.  
Still You hear me when I'm calling.  
Lord, You catch me when I'm falling.  
And You've told me who I am.  
I am Yours.

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And told me who I am.  
I am Yours, I am Yours, I am Yours.

Whom shall I fear?  
Whom shall I fear?  
'Cause I am Yours, I am Yours

## Prayer for the Week

*I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.* - Ephesians. 1:18-19 NIV

Lord,

Open the eyes of my heart. Heal my shortsightedness, my farsightedness, and the astigmatism of my soul. I want to see all things from your perspective, including the hope to which you have called us. To see with eyes of hope means that I will be able to discern your heart and hand at work everywhere.

Help me to see more of the power of the Holy Spirit at work in my heart and your world. I so want to love you more fully and passionately and consistently. I know that apart from your Spirit, these things are impossible. I surrender today, gratefully and expectantly.

In Jesus name

**AMEN**

Prayer adapted from:

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/scotty-smith/a-prayer-for-seeing-all-things-from-gods-perspective/>

