

## The Best Gift

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

### I. Empty Endeavors.

#### A. Meaningless Gifts

1. Though I speak with tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging symbol.
2. Though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
3. Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

#### B. Empty People.

### II. Expelling the Emptiness.

- A. Our need to love God. Matthew 22:37
- B. Our need to love Others. Matthew 22:39
- C. How those needs are filled.

### III. Examine the inside.

- A. Our defining moment. John 13:34-35
- B. Love is not.
- C. Love is.

### IV. Accept the Enduring Truth.

- A. Love never fails.
- B. Love never fails, but people fail to love.