

Unreasonable Love

I. Love Covers All Things

Love always deals with faults, but never dwells on faults.

- a. Personally: Cover by responding with mercy instead of anger
- b. Publically: Cover by minimizing other people's exposure to and focus on the sin

II. Love Believes All Things

Love always makes the most gracious assumption, never the least.

III. Love Hopes All Things

Love always focuses on God's character never man's actions.

IV. Love Endures All Things

Love always exists to give, never to gain.

How?

1. Choose to see what you have in common with that person
2. Look to Jesus

GBC Application Questions

Grace Bible Church desires that you respond to this sermon by believing the gospel, obeying the Savior, and discipling the world. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see how this can be done.

1. How did this sermon call you to "obey the Savior?" What Biblical truths were presented that you need to obey. What steps do you need to take to bring your life more into conformity with God's word?

2. In what specific ways do you face the temptations described in this sermon? How does the gospel confront those temptations? How can you not only obey moralistically, but to obey in light of the gospel?

3. As you seek to apply these truths in your own life, think of one other person in your life that may benefit from thinking through these issues with you. What are some ways you can disciple this person in this area?

Suggested Resources

C. J. Mahaney, "Pastoral Character and Loving People," .MP3 download: <http://tinyurl.com/36k9ts>
 Dave Harvey, *When Sinners Say 'I Do': Discovering the Power of the Gospel for Marriage*, Shepherd, 2007
 Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*, HarperOne, 1978.
 Paul Tripp, *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands*, P&R, 2002