

## STUDY TIP

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Set aside 15 minutes to get by yourself and open God's Word uninterrupted.

## SCRIPTURE

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**PRIMARY TEXT:**

1 Corinthians 13

**SUPPLEMENTAL TEXT:**

Matthew 22:37-40, John 13:35, Romans 5:8, Romans 12:9,  
1 Timothy 4:12, 1 John 4:7-21

## OBSERVATIONS & APPLICATION

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What words or phrases are repeated in this scripture?

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Read John 13:35 and Romans 5:8. These verses show examples of "agape" love. Agape love is God's selfless and sacrificial love for us. When you read these verses, what do they tell you about how we should also love? Go to [StepBible.org](http://StepBible.org) if you want to study the words in this passage or find more verses that talk about agape love.

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Read 1 Corinthians 13:11 and 1 Timothy 4:12. What is the difference between physical maturity and spiritual maturity?

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1 Timothy 4:12 tells us that our age doesn't define our spiritual maturity. Regardless of your age, in what areas do you need to spiritually mature?

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Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. Now re-read the passage and say Jesus' name in the place of love. Read it one more time saying your name in the place of love. Which of these actions is the hardest for you?

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1 John 4:19 - We love because He first loved us. Examine yourself. Do you have a love for lost people?

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## RESOURCES

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-  [StepBible.org](http://StepBible.org)
-  [NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible](#)

## PRAYER

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- Pray for God to transform your heart and mind through the reading of His Word.
- Ask God to help you apply the truth of this scripture to your life.

### SCRIPTURE

Write which passage of scripture you are reading.

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### OBSERVATION

What is this text saying? What is the context? How does it fit with the verses before and after it? Are there any commands or instructions?

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### APPLICATION

How can you apply this verse to your life? What does this mean today? What is God saying to you?

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### PRAYER

Respond to the passage in prayer. Ask God to help you apply this truth to your life and spend some time listening to what He may be telling you.

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