"I LOVE YOU"

WORDS…THAT CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE – PT. 1

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Love is a ______________. Action is required.

ROMANS 5:8 (NIV) But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

EPHESIANS 5:2 (NIV) ... and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

1 JOHN 3:16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

HOW CAN I LOVE THOSE AROUND ME WITH UNCONDITIONAL LOVE?

I COR. 13:4-8a (NIV) "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."

√ Loving is ____________________________.

v. 4 Love is patient …

Both ______________ - Investments are made

And ______________ - Observations are made

√ Loving is ____________________________.

v. 4 Love is kind

√ Loving is ____________________________.

v. 5 It is not self seeking

√ Loving is ____________________________.

v. 4 it does not boast, it is not proud

v. 6 love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

√ Loving is ____________________________.

v. 7 It always protects…

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Digging Deeper: Small Group Questions …

1. How has a 'mother's love' shaped your life?
2. What other words spoken require action to back it up?
3. What actions besides time, serving, giving, affirming and embracing speak love to you?
4. Toward whom can you demonstrate love to open the door for Christ's unconditional love?