BROTHERLY LOVE

Scripture Reading: 1Thessalonians 4:9-12

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Introduction:

- 1. The great example of love from those in Thessalonica.
- 2. God teaches us how to love.
- 3. God teaches us to love...

I. <u>THROUGH DEMONSTRATION</u>

- A. SENDING HIS SON
 - 1. For God so loved the world... -Jn 3:16
 - 2. His Son was sent to die upon the cross -Ro 5:6-9

B. SACRIFICE OF JESUS

- 1. Greater love has no man -Jn 15:13
- 2. He laid His life down for His sheep -Jn 10:15-18

II. THROUGH COMMANDMENT

- A. LOVE GOD; LOVE YOUR BROTHER
 - 1. The words of John -1Jn 4:20, 21
 - 2. E.g. -The conversation between the father and older brother -Lk 15:28-32

B. THE MAGNITUDE OF OUR LOVE

- 1. Jesus gave His disciple the command to love -Jn 13:34, 35
- 2. We are to love as Christ loves us

III. <u>THROUGH SINCERITY -1Co 13:1-3</u>

- A. SPEAKING IN TONGUES; NO VALUE W/O LOVE
- B. UNDERSTANDING AND FAITH; NO VALUE W/O LOVE
- C. CHARITY IS NO VALUE W/O LOVE

IV. THROUGH DESCRIPTION -1Co 13:4-8a

- A. LOVE SUFFERS LONG
 - 1. Does not quit at the first sign of trouble.
 - 2. Too many marriages end due to lack of this love.
- B. LOVE DOES NOT ENVY OR PARADE ITSELF
- C. LOVE IS NOT RUDE, SELFISH, OR PROVOKED -vs. 5

Conclusion:

- 1. What is remembered when one dies; their love.
- 2. Everyday our eulogy is being written; we are the one writing it through our actions.