

“40 DAYS OF LOVE: It's All About Love”

Introduction: My Number One Goal in Life is _____?

I Corinthians 14:1 (LB) “Let love be your greatest aim.”

I Corinthians 16:14 (NLT) “Everything you do must be done with love.”

THREE THINGS THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT LOVE

1. WE LOVE BECAUSE _____.

I John 4: 7-8 (NLT) “Love comes from God... for God is love.”

- God wants you to be like _____.

I John 4:19 (NIV) “We love because God first loved us.”

- My problem is _____ “I just don't love God enough.”
- My real problem is “I don't realize how much God loves me.”
- People need _____.
- _____ people _____ people!

2. LOVE IS A _____.

Deuteronomy 30:21 (NLT) “Choose to love the Lord your God.. and commit yourself to Him..”

- Myth: love is _____.
- You can choose to love _____.

3. LOVE IS ACTION.

I John 3:18 (NIV) “Let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.”

- Love is not _____. (Not a quiver in my liver!)
- Love is not _____. (People talk a good act!)
- Two things about love in action.
 1. The highest form of love is _____ in love when you don't feel it!

2. It is easier to _____ your way into a feeling than it is to _____ your way into an action.

Revelation 2:4-5 (ESV) "You have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first."

- We are to love by _____.

CONCLUSION:

I John 4:7 (LB) "Dear friends let us practice loving each other, for love comes from God and those who are loving and kind show that they are the children of God. And that they are getting to know Him better."

- Learn how _____ loved.
- Christianity is a _____-based faith.
- Practice assignment: _____ a small group.