

Eternally Great - D.J. Horton

I Corinthians 13:8-13

God is Eternally Permanent therefore Love is Eternally Permanent

Love is...

Eternally Permanent v.8a

Eternally Preminent v.8b-11

Eternally Personal v.12

1 John 4:8 (ESV)

“Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.”

Love is Preeminent

Preeminence: the fact of surpassing all others;

(superiority, greatness, excellence)

Above all spiritual gifts, roles, and abilities.

Spiritual Gift

“A Spiritual gift is any ability that is empowered by the Holy Spirit and used in any ministry of the church.”

-- Wayne Grudem

When the Perfect comes....

- Future prophecies will be Present realities.
- Christ (love) will reign in person.
- The Holy Spirit (love) will reign in each person.
- The Church will be complete.
- The Christian will be mature.

Numbers 12:6-8 (ESV)

And he said, “Hear my words: If there is a prophet among you, I the Lord make myself known to him in a vision; I speak with him in a dream. Not so with my servant Moses. He is faithful in all my house. With him I speak mouth to mouth, clearly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the form of the LORD.

Why is Love the Greatest?

- Love encompasses faith and hope
- Love is eternal, faith and hope are not
- Love describes God's essence