

HOW TO BE MORE PATIENT

1 Corinthians 13:4

We are just starting a new series designed to help us build great relationships. The Bible says that it is not good for mankind to be alone. The Bible teaches that we were made for community. It's not by accident that solitary confinement is considered punishment. Relationships determine our happiness, our success and develop our character. As we began this study last Sunday we noted that Love is to be the basis of all our relationships. Today, we begin to look at the ingredients of that "love" referred to in the great Love Chapter, 1 Corinthians 13. The first building block mentioned in verse 4 is, "Love is patient".

Why is Patience so vital in Relationships?

1. Because e_____ is d_____

1 Corinthians 12:6 (Ph)

Your unique S.H.A.P.E.

S_____ G_____

H_____

A_____

P_____

E_____

2. Because our differences c_____ m_____

1 Corinthians 2:11 (LB) 1 Thessalonians 5:14

Misunderstandings come from 4 wrong assumptions:

1. that words mean the same thing to different people
2. that there is only one right way to see things
3. that my way is the right way to see things
4. that I can figure out your motives

How to be More Patient with People

1. Remember h___ p_____ G___ is with me

1 Timothy 1:16 Romans 15:7

2. Learn by l_____

Proverbs 19:11 Proverbs 14:29 Proverbs 18:13

3. M_____ a_____ for each other

Ephesians 4:2 (LB)

4. Treat others t___ w___ y___ w_____ to be treated

Matthew 7:12 (LB)

Philippians 2:4,5 (Ph)

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