# Love in the Concrete: Love as Indispensable

(I Corinthians 13:1-3)

### 1. Paul's Hymn of Love

- Written by Paul. What does this hymn say about Paul's Personality?
- In response to the Corinthian problem. What is that problem?
- The structure of the Hymn:

Love is Indispensable (vv.1-3)

Love is Demonstrable (vv.4-7) (concrete)

Love is Imperishable (vv.8-13)

## 2. Love as Indispensable

#### A. <u>The Profile</u>

- the worshipper without love
- the preacher without love
- the intellectual without love
- the person of faith with love
- the philanthropist without love
- the martyr without love

#### B. <u>The Questions:</u>

- How is it possible to do these things without love?
- What does the absence of love look like in these instances?
- (see Jonah 4:1-11)

#### C. <u>Truth and Application:</u>

- God deals on the level of motivation and not just action.
- The invisible is just as important as the visible
- Gift can never cover up character