



THE LOVE CHALLENGE Part 3 – Love Is Kind

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I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Nothing matters more than our **relationships** with God and others. (Jesus)
- B. Agape love is the act of living out the **character** qualities of God in how we approach God and others.
 - 1. The Greek word for kindness is "c**re**stos". "C**ri**stos" is the word for **Christ**.
 - 2. The word, "crestos" means to be gentle, caring, helpful, courteous, and kind. It is the **opposite** of being harsh, sharp, bitter, and resentful.
- C. Crestos also means to be used by God to help someone else **grow** and develop.

1 Corinthians 13:4 "Love looks for a way of being **constructive**." (Phillips translation)

II. HELP SOMEONE SEE WHAT THEY **can become** IN CHRIST.

There are people that need you to help build them up. Be a **people builder** in their life.

III. ENCOURAGE OTHERS IN THE **WHATEVER** TIMES OF THEIR LIFE.

Romans 15:2 "We who are strong in the faith ought to help the weak in order to build them up in the faith."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Encourage one another and build each other up."

