

“THE LOVE OF PAUL”

1. What are some of the most important characteristics you think a Christian leader ought to have? In whom have you seen those characteristics?

2. Look up 2 Corinthians 3:2, 2 Corinthians 7:3, and 1 Thessalonians 2:7–8. What are some of the ways Paul describes his love for those under his care? What else do you see?

3. Who has been your picture of what the love of Christ looks like?

4. What does Jesus say about love in John 13:35? Why is this true? What does that look like practically?

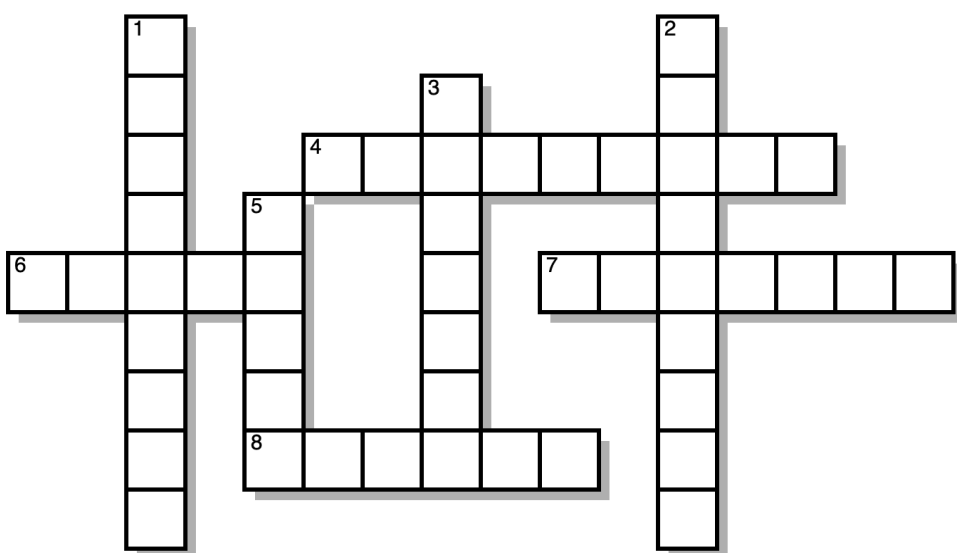
5. You can be busy for the Lord without really connecting with Him or genuinely caring about those He cares about. What evidence in scripture shows us that this is not the case with Paul. How can we keep it being true of us?

6. Why does Paul choose to travel to Assos on foot rather than sailing with his ministry team? What was Paul doing while walking? What implications might this have for our own lives and ministries?

7. Why does Paul choose to take the ship to Miletus rather than Ephesus? Was he trying to avoid the Ephesians? Why or why not?

8. What does Paul mean when he tells people to imitate him? Is that arrogant? Would you rather someone do as you say or do as you do?

9. What do you think Paul's greatest gift to the Church was? Why?

**Down**

1 "Brothers, join in _____ me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us."

(Philippians 3:17)

2 "Love one another with _____ affection."

(Romans 12:10)

3 "We proved to be gentle among you, as a _____ mother tenderly cares for her own children." (1 Thess. 2:7)

5 "For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my _____." (Phil. 1:3-7)

Across

4 "So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the _____ of faith." (Gal. 6:10)

6 "What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of _____ will be with you." (Philippians 4:9)

7 The elders of this city met Paul in Miletus.

8 "let us not love with word or with _____, but in deed and truth" (1 John 3:18).

WORD SEARCH:

Paul	Prayer
Troas	Joy
Assos	Gentle
Mitylene	Affection
Chios	Deed
Samos	Truth
Miletus	Faith
Ephesus	Commandment
Asia	Disciples
Jerusalem	Tyrannus
Pentecost	Sheep
Love	Imitate
Remembrance	Christ



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