

WHAT DID JESUS LOOK LIKE? 1 Corinthians 13:4-6

The classic portrait of _____ was painted by Warner Salaman; it hung in many homes during the last century
We have a more accurate sketch of Jesus drawn in the lines of 1 Cor.13; love was born the first _____

I. LOVE IS NOT _____ UP

- A. This word sounds like someone blowing up a _____ : an inflated idea of our own importance
- B. The Corinthians were puffed up over their _____ rather than using them for Christ (4:6-7)
- C. The Corinthians were puffed up because of the _____ they received from Paul, Peter & Apollos
- D. Jesus didn't act as the founder of the most influential movement in history: He took the place of a _____

II. LOVE DOES NOT BEHAVE _____

- A. Love does not have bad manners, and good manners are motivated by _____ for others
- B. If we offend, it must be because of Christ crucified, not because we are too _____ to be polite

III. LOVE DOES NOT SEEK ITS _____

- A. Meaning #1: Love does not insist on having its own way—does not say, "It's my way or the _____"
- B. Meaning #2: Love is not _____ : doing what I do so that I am the one who primarily benefits
- C. Meaning #3: Love doesn't see and address _____ only from its own viewpoint, but that of others
- D. Jesus was born so that he could be 100% human: He was touched with the feeling of our _____

IV. LOVE IS NOT _____

- A. Meaning #1: Love is not ready to take _____ ; many want to be victims who are easily offended
In the garden, Jesus could've asked His Father for 1000s of _____ , but He refused to be provoked
- B. Meaning #2: Love is not easily _____ ; anger destroys so much so quickly—the opposite of *agape*

V. LOVE _____ NO EVIL

- A. This word was used of a bookkeeper recording a transaction in a _____ to keep a permanent record
- B. Keeping this kind of record in our hearts is the opposite of _____ , which releases the debt
- C. Think of what happened the night/day of Jesus' trial & crucifixion; yet He said, Father _____ them

VI. LOVE DOES NOT _____ IN INIQUITY

- A. Meaning #1: Love does not rejoice when someone does _____ because it knows sin is destructive
Think of Jesus _____ over the coming destruction of Jerusalem for their sins: that is *agape* love
- B. Meaning #2: Love refuses to rejoice in the iniquity of another by listening to juicy _____

VII. LOVE REJOICES IN THE _____

- A. Meaning #1: Love rejoices with (celebrates) when it learns the truth about another & it is _____
Think of Jesus at the Bema Seat: He will say to His faithful followers, "Well _____ faithful servant"
- B. Meaning #2: Love can hear the truth—even the _____ truth about another & continue to want the best
 - 1) The secret to a lasting _____ : we can learn the bad truth about our spouses & continue to invest
 - 2) It keeps us from bolting from a _____ when we encounter others who are unlovely/unloveable

CONC: Love became flesh in the person of Jesus and His *agape* love took Him to the _____ to die for us