

1 Corinthians 13:1-2 (NIV)

1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, **but have not love**, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, **but have not love, I am nothing**.

1. When There Is Love...Love Provides Security.

Ruth 3:1-3 (NIV)

1 One day Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not try to find a home for you, where you will be well provided for?"

2 Is not Boaz, with whose servant girls you have been, a kinsman of ours? Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor.

3 Wash and perfume yourself, and **put on your best clothes**. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking.

Colossians 3:12-14 (NIV)

12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, **clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience**.

13 Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues **put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity**.

2. When There is Love...Love Submits & Obeys.

Ephesians 5:21-TLV

21 Also **submit yourselves to one another** out of reverence for Messiah—

Passion - ...And **you honor Christ by yielding to one another**. Be **tenderly devoted to each other in love**.

GW - **Place yourselves under each other's authority** out of respect for Christ.

Ruth 3:4-7-NIV

4 When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do."

5 **"I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered**.

6 So she went down to the threshing floor and **did everything her mother-in-law told her to do**.

7 When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down.

John 14:15 (NIV)

15 "If you love me, **you will obey what I command**."

3. When there is Love...Love Gives and Receives.

Ruth 3:8-17-NIV

8 In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned—and there was a woman lying at his feet!

9 "Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family."

10 "The LORD bless you, my daughter," he replied. "This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: You have not run after the younger men, whether rich or poor.

11 And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character.

12 Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I.

13 Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if

he is not willing, as surely as the LORD lives I will do it. Lie here until morning."

14 So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before anyone could be recognized; and he said, "No one must know that a woman came to the threshing floor."

15 He also said, "Bring me the shawl you are wearing and hold it out." When she did so, he poured into it six measures of barley and placed the bundle on her. Then he went back to town.

16 When Ruth came to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, "How did it go, my daughter?" Then she told her everything Boaz had done for her

17 and added, "He gave me these six measures of barley, saying, 'Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'"

Acts 20:35 (NIV)

35 In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: **"It is more blessed to give than to receive."**

John 12:25 (NIV)

25 The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

Ruth 3:9 (NIV)

9 "Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a kinsman-redeemer."



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