

The One Thing That Holds Everything Together

Colossians 3:14

Above All

Love is the most _____ virtue.

And above all these put on love,...” (v. 14a)

If not there, “_____ (1 Cor. 13:2b)

Love is the _____ of a believer. Are you known for your love?
(John 13:35)

Put On

It is something we are required to do.

We must _____ to love. We must _____ to do so.

Must:

1. _____ people where they are, how they are.
2. _____ the irritations.
3. _____ unloving behavior.
4. _____ the “buts”.
5. Be _____, not reactive.

Harmony

Love brings all the other virtues into _____, makes them _____.

Love brings _____ together as well.

...let each of you regard one another as more important than himself. (Phil. 2:3)

Love _____ the walls of division.

Jesus gave us _____ new commandment (John 14:15).

Jerry Bridges in *The Pursuit of Godliness* gives positive statements based on 1 Corinthians 13.

1. I am _____ with you because I love you and want to _____ you.
2. I am _____ to you because I love you and want to _____ you.
3. I do not _____ your possessions or your gifts because I love you and want you to _____.
4. I do not _____ about my attainments because I love you and want to _____.
5. I am not _____ because I love you and want to esteem you _____.
6. I am not _____ because I love you and care about _____.
7. I am not _____ because I love you and want to meet _____.
8. I am not _____ by you because I love you and want to _____ your offenses.
9. I do not _____ of wrongs because I love you, and “_____.” (1 Peter 4:8b)

Conclusion

“*Outwitted*” by Edwin Markham

I choose to draw circles! Give it a try.