



COME ONE

COME ALL

FAMILY CIRCUS

-A SERMON SERIES ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY-

intimacy...

I WANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS

I gotta take a little time, a little time to think things over
I better read between the lines, in case I need it when I'm older

Now this mountain I must climb, feels like the world upon my shoulders
Through the clouds I see love shine, it keeps me warm as life grows colder

In my life there's been heartache and pain
I don't know if I can face it again
Can't stop now, I've traveled so far, to change this lonely life

I want to know what love is, I want you to show me
I want to feel what love is, I know you can show me

Marriage was made for intimacy...

...the experiential, intellectual, emotional, spiritual and sometimes physical connection between people that produces a profoundly enriching interaction.

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...but that intimacy has
been shattered and
continues to have
devastating impact on us

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- 1** If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
- 2** And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
- 3** If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.
- 4** Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant
- 5** or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;
- 6** it does not rejoice at wrong doing, but rejoices with the truth.
- 7** Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
- 8** Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.
- 9** For we know in part and we prophesy in part,
- 10** but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.
- 11** When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.
- 12** For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.
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Truth