

# Love's Boundaries

"So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13 (English Standard Version)

According to God, not all that we call \_\_\_\_\_ is really \_\_\_\_\_.

## When Love's Boundaries Are Ignored

- A. Genesis 2:16,17 – God put boundaries around the \_\_\_\_\_. When they \_\_\_\_\_ the line, death entered into the world.
- B. Disregard of boundaries in the garden of love:
  1. Deuteronomy 6:5 – When we have the right \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_, things go as they should.
  2. John 13:34 – Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ command is that we love others as \_\_\_\_\_ loved us.
  3. 1 Corinthians 13:13 – The \_\_\_\_\_ of these is \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. 2 Samuel 13:1,15 – Did Amnon really love his \_\_\_\_\_? He used her for what he \_\_\_\_\_, then discarded her.
  5. Leviticus 18:11 – God had placed clear \_\_\_\_\_ around the situation Amnon faced with Tamar.
  6. Proverbs 7:18 – She promised "\_\_\_\_\_", but was it really?

## Seeing Clearly The God-Established Boundaries Of Love

- A. God's garden of physical love:
  1. Hebrews 13:4 – The marriage \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_ if it is enjoyed within \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Genesis 2:24,25 - \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ became one \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_'s design.
  3. Proverbs 5:15-19 – Be \_\_\_\_\_ in your spouse's \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Warnings against crossing the boundaries:
  1. Mark 7:20-22 – Among things that defile us are \_\_\_\_\_ immorality, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. 1 Corinthians 6:9,10 – Those guilty of crossing the boundaries will not \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
  3. 1 John 2:15 – Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

Jon Bloom: "Christians should be ... the strongest guardians of God's design and boundaries of romantic love there are."

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