

PreKeysis Outline

Oct 11, 2006

How many Pauline letters are in the New Testament? 13

Hymn of Love

Vocabulary:

1. Evangelize: proclaim the gospel
 - Read 1 Cor 13:8

What are some situations in your life that can lead to disagreements and arguments?

What kind of things might the first Christians have argued about?

St. Paul in Corinth

- Stayed 18 months with the people of Corinth, ancient seaport city in Greece
- Preached the gospel (evangelized)
- When he left, fighting began to occur among the Christians
 - Conduct at the Lord's supper (**1 Cor 11:17-34**)
 - Spiritual gifts (**1 Cor 12:1-11**)
- Paul wrote letters to the people of the church to correct them, teach them, and encourage them (**1 Cor 1:10**)

Gifts of love

- God gives us many gifts to live out our lives for Christ and to build up his church
- But these gifts are useless without love (**1 Cor 13:1-3**)
- Qualities of love –read quietly, substituting the word love with your name (**1 Cor 13:4-7**) How do you feel when you use your own name?
- Read **1 Cor 13:8-13**
- Why is love the greatest gift?
 - Permanent, unifies, foundation of how to live

What ways do we see love in action in our church, in our town, and in the world?