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Family Life Groups

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1. **“Love does not rejoice in wrongdoing” (6a).** Have you ever taken satisfaction when something bad happens to someone who dislikes you or is out to get you? If so, why?

2. **“...but rejoices with the truth” (6b).** Someone who possesses agape love celebrates the integrity and holiness of someone. How can this joy and excitement be expressed in tangible ways, so that the person walking in the truth can be affirmed and encouraged?

3. **“Love bears all things...” (7a).** Love acts as a covering for a person. It protects from exposure or harm or shame or anything that would have a detrimental effect. Is there anyone in your life who needs to be “covered” right now? How can you express this aspect of love to him/her?

4. **“Love believes all things...” (7b).** Love considers someone innocent until proven guilty. It is not cynical or suspicious, but gives the person the benefit of the doubt. Is there anyone in your life for whom you need to give the benefit of the doubt? What can you do specifically to change your heart and mind toward that person?

5. **“Love hopes all things...” (7b).** Love has confidence in what God is able to do in a person. It believes in the best outcome. Is there a person in your life for whom you have little or no hope of ever changing? What can you do to restore your hope?

6. **“Love endures all things...” (7b).** Love holds fast to those it loves. It stands against overwhelming opposition and refuses to let go of a person. Is there someone in your life that is slipping away from you? What can you do to restore your bond to him/her?