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If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing...¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

- Without “agape/love,” my songs/speech are just
EMPTY SOUNDS!
- Without “agape/love,” knowledge/faith leave me an
EMPTY SELF!
- Without “agape/love,” all my sacrificing leaves
NO SIGNIFICANCE!

Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. (1 John 4:8)

We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death. (1 John 3:14)

“Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

“The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” (Mark 12)

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” (Romans 13:8-9)

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By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” (John 13:35)

We love because He first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

Possible ways for me to join the effort to bring God’s love through Gateway to His world in ‘24:
