

# S.O.H.L.

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## WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

*Pronounced "Soul"*

# *I Love You*

These are three powerful words, spoken at times sincerely, but abused a lot when it comes to defining through ones actions. Many will settle to receive love in an ungodly manner. Many will simply search in the wrong places for it. Many have grown to believe that secular song recorded by The Spinners, "Love Don't Love Nobody".

For those who want to be loved and want to love others, have you given God a chance?

It is true that our society confuses love and lust. Unlike **lust**. God's kind of love is directed towards others instead of toward ourselves. God's love is totally unselfish! God's love goes against our human tendencies. It is impossible to have this love unless God helps us set aside our own natural requirements so that we can love and not expect anything in return. Therefore, the more we become like Christ, the more we show love to others.

Remember, in the last days of history (and we are living in it as of now), there will be a decrease in love and family affection (**Matt. 10:21; 24:12; Mark 13:12; 2 Tim. 3:1-3**). Is there hope? **Only for the believer**. So what is this love God is talking about? It is defined in the Greek language as (agape). Refer to the scripture reading for God's divine definition. Allow God to teach you its true meaning and watch what happens as you begin to walk in **LOVE**.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Agape love is giving others what they need most, but they deserve it the least.

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