



Read: The King of kings is being put to death and even in this, his antagonists seek to rob him of glory. Read [John 19:19-22](#) and consider the depth of meaning behind this epitaph.

A world-renowned passage on love was written by Paul to the church at Corinth. But if God is love, then surely there is no better description of God than 1 Corinthians 13. Read [verses 4-7](#) word by word, slowly. Read it again as you envision the redeeming love of Calvary.

Think: Review the passage again and ponder the word or phrase that stands out to you. What do you see of God's nature in this? What do you see about his heart for people? For you? Turn this word or phrase over and over in your mind—gently, like a fragile treasure.

Pray: Ask the Holy Spirit to impart God's message for you from this passage. What is he inviting you to consider? To do? To know? Open your heart and ask him to write his love deeply within you.

Rest: Sit quietly with what you have heard or sensed or experienced. Let all other thoughts go, except the reality of God's presence here and now, with you. Let him love you. If it helps, play worship music in the background. If your mind gets distracted, gently whisper "I receive your love" or "I love you, Lord."

Behold what great contempt hath the Lord of Majesty endured, that his confusion may be our glory; his punishment our heavenly bliss! Without ceasing impress this spectacle, O Christian, on thy soul!

Dionysius