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YOU CAN READ THE BIBLE ALL YOU WANT, but if it doesn't come to life in you by the Spirit, what's it all for? You can quote the Bible word for word, but if you don't live it in love, it doesn't do any good. You can have all the gifts of the Spirit, but without love it is meaningless. You can be tops in your field, but if you don't manifest God's love to others, then it's all in vain, because love is the most important thing (1 Corinthians chapter 13).

Faithfulness is important, to endure as a good soldier and to work hard (2 Timothy 2:3), but if you don't have love, you don't have anything. If you don't have love and show love for others, then in God's eyes your good works don't really count.

What's the thing that proves we are Jesus' disciples?—Love! Jesus said, "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). That's an order! He ordered us, His followers, to love one another, so love!