

# THIRTEEN

Grow: Love Matures  
**THIRTEEN, PART 4**

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1 Corinthians 13:13

## IF YOU ARE CONNECTED WITH GOD... LOVE GROWS

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1 Corinthians 13:8-13

## BEYOND...

- How they treat, treated or might treat me

*In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

Matthew 7:12

- FEELINGS

↳ Love without like?

- SUCCESS

↳ Gifts: God's purpose in giving you what He gave you is love... to bless others.

↳ "I suck and have nothing to give" is really anti-love!

- TRYING / STRAINING / GRUNTING

## SO...

1. DECIDE — I want to be about this... about what's ultimate.

*Pursue love...* 1 Corinthians 14:1

2. BE KNOWN — How you learn the art of...

3. LET YOURSELF EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE MORE AND MORE — Stop B.S.ing, stop impressing, start trusting.

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