

### III. Loving as a Man of God

*It is not natural for men to love as Christ loved.*

#### A. Superiority of Love (1-3)

#### B. Characteristics of Love (4-8)

- Patient
- Kind
- Not Jealous
- Does not Brag
- Not arrogant
- Does not act unbecomingly
- Does not seek its own
- Not provoked
- Keeps short accounts

#### Discuss:

- Which of these areas are your strengths and which are your weaknesses?
- Do you or are you ready to meet with another man who can encourage you in the difficult areas you are working on? Why?
- Take a few minutes to pray for each other in groups of two or three.

#### Think about:

- The difference would these characteristics make in your home?
- Who do you find it difficult to love?
- What circumstances or times do you find it most difficult to love?
- Koinonia: “partnering” with Christ and other men to *act like a man*.