

A Portrait *of* Love



And now these three remain: faith,
hope and love. But the greatest of
these is love"

— *1 Corinthians 13:13, NIV*



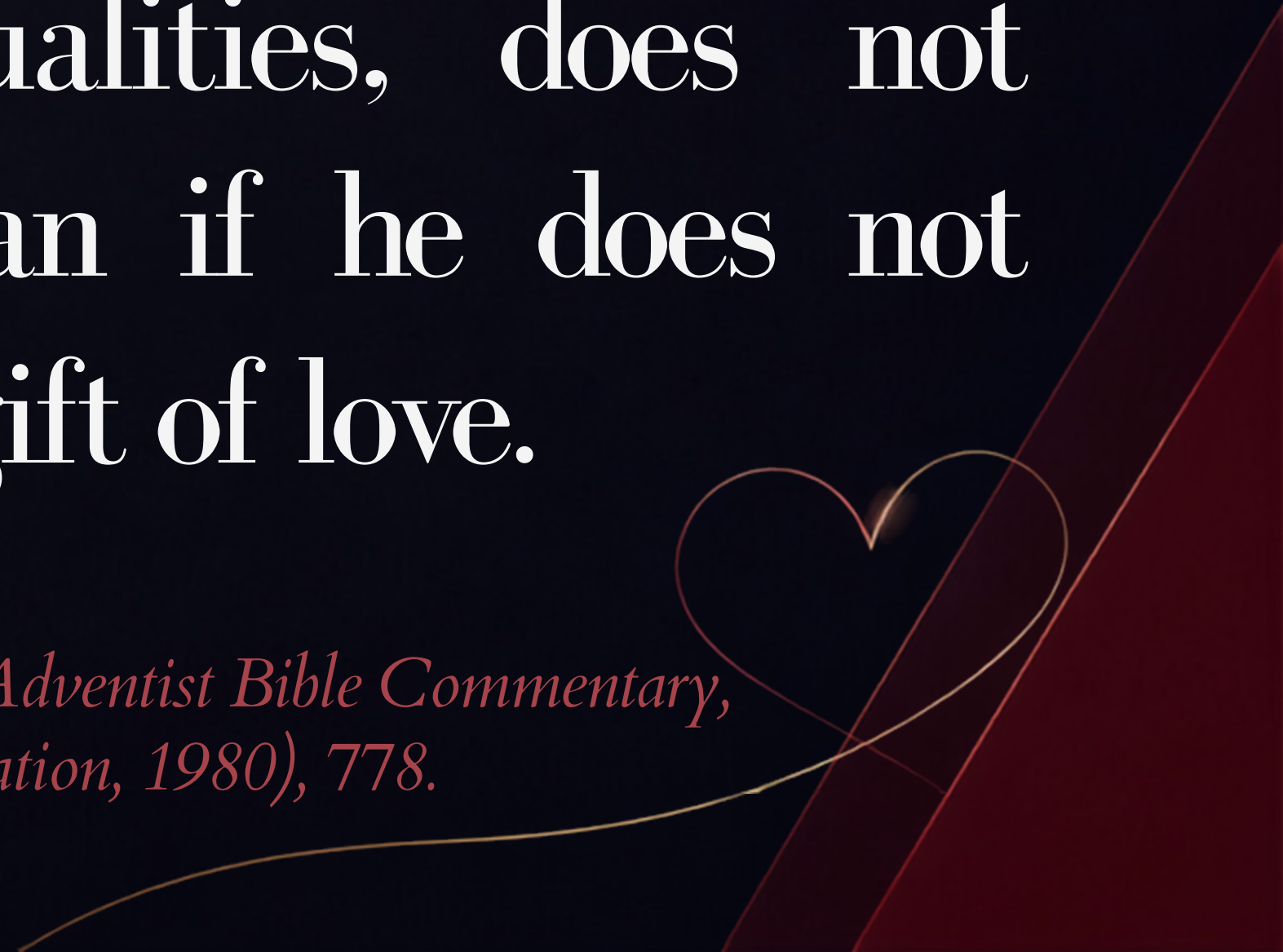
“And Though I...”

— *1 Corinthians 13:1-3*



...the possession of all these gifts, and other additional qualities, does not make one a Christian if he does not possess the supreme gift of love.

— Francis D. Nichol, ed., *The Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary*, vol. 6 (Review and Herald Publishing Association, 1980), 778.



Love is patient and kind. Love is not
jealous or boastful or proud [5] or rude.
It does not demand its own way.

— *1 Corinthians 13:4–7 NLT*



It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. [6] It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out.

— *1 Corinthians 13:4–7 NLT*



[7] Love never gives up, never loses faith,
is always hopeful, and endures through
every circumstance.

— *1 Corinthians 13:4–7 NLT*



But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
longsuffering, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control.
Against such there is no law.

— *Galatians 5:22–23 NKJV*



1 Corinthians 13:4–7		Galatians 5:22–23	
“Love/agapē ...”		“The fruit of the Spirit is love/agapē ...”	
is patient	makrothymeō	patience	makrothymia
is kind	chrēsteuomai	kindness	chrēstotēs
rejoices	synchairō	joy	chara
believes	pisteuō	faith	pistis



And now abide faith, hope, love, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.

— *1 Corinthians 13:13 NKJV*



Discussion

1. Have you ever done something good for the wrong reason? What was your real motivation?
2. Which description of love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 is hardest for you to live out right now? Why?
3. If love is the one thing that lasts forever, what should you start doing differently today?

