# Romans: Theology 101

## "What's Love Got To Do With It?" Romans 12:9-13

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#### Introduction:

- 1. So far in our journey through Romans Paul has:
  - Laid out a thorough doctrinal foundation.
  - Addressed Judaism in light of the church age.
- 2. Paul is now focused on the practical ways followers of Christ should live in a broken world.
- 3. As we closed last week, Paul had painted a picture of a healthy believing community functioning in perfect harmony. Today Paul builds on that picture.
- 4. Our text suggests certain things <u>must</u> be true to develop this kind of community & maintain it.
- 5. If the question is "What's love got to do with it?", the answer is ... everything!
- 6. As Paul launches into the role of love in the church, he will focus on two aspects of love:
  - Its Nature
  - Its Activity
- I. The Nature of Love
  - A. Sincere, Genuine, Authentic
  - B. Purity
  - C. Beneficial

- II. The Activity of Love
  - A. Within the Body
  - B. Toward Christ
  - C. In the Course of Life

### Conclusion:

- 1. If all of these things were true at Prescott:
  - We would be better.
  - We would be more attractive.
  - God would be glorified.
- 2. So, let's do some personal evaluation:
  - Score yourself in these areas.
  - Define some action steps to improve.
  - Get to work!